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#### The Refugee Exodus From Rwanda Leaves Ever More Orphans

A Rwandan child searching for her parents among some 100 corpses, people killed as thousands of Hum refugees crossing into Zaire in fear of the rebel Rwanda Patriotic

they fled fighting into Zaire. United Nations officials said the victims were among the Front. The Patriotic Front claimed victory Monday in the country's civil war. Page 6.

### **Bosnian Serbs Seem Poised to Spurn Partition Plan**

By David B. Ottaway

PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina - The Bosnian Serbs appeared Monday to be headed for an overwhelming rejection of the latest Western partition plan for Bosnia after their president, Radovan Karadzic, said at acceptance would mean giving up vast acts of Serbian land without any certainment, Mr. Karadzic at the same time warned that a decision to reject the plan would almost certainly mean a major esca-lation of the war and a full-scale mobilization of all Serbian manpower and re-sources, including the introduction of "war and work brigades."

"If we decide to reject this plan, then we have to be ready for blood, sweat and tears without any help," he told the 75 deputies ty that economic sanctions would be lifted. without any help," he told the 75 deputies.

Opening a special session of their Parlia- assembled in a conference room of a fac-

tory in Pale that often serves as a Parlia-ment building. "We'll be oo our own." Mr. Karadzie did not make any formal

recommendation to the Parliament about whether the plan should be accepted or rejected, resorting instead to a frank airing of the implications of either decision. But he drew such a horrendous picture of the partition plan that it was hard to interpret his speech as anything other than a strong appeal for its rejection.

He charged that the plan was the result of an American "diktat" and that all Bosnian Serbian suggestions had been rejected in drawing it up in an effort by Washington to please only the Bosnian Muslims. The Muslim-Croatian federation held its own special session of its Parliament in Sarajevo on Monday and overwhelmingly approved the plan. The Bosnian Serhian

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### Furor Forces Italian Leader to Back Down on Decree

By William Drozdiak

Washington Part Service
ROME — Prime Minister Silvio Berlnsconi bowed to public pressure Monday and said he would accept changes in a

decree that curtails the powers of anti-corruption judges and has allowed more than 1,000 bribery suspects out of jail. Three months after he rode a wave of populist support to victory in national elections, Mr. Berlusconi is facing the biggest crisis of his brief political career,

has damaged his political popularity and imperiled his ruling coalition.

With his two coalition partners, the sep-

aratist-minded Northern League and the neofascist National Alliance, seeking to disown his proposal to relax rules of preventivo detention, Mr. Berlusconi was left Monday with oo recourse but to backtrack on the decree in order to keep his government alive.

As the lira went into a tailspin on ex-

brought on by a self-inflicted wound that change markets, Mr. Berlusconi appeared has damaged his political popularity and on one of his three television stations to insist that there was oo government crisis. He defended the decree as a "judicial necessity" but acknowledged that he was prepared to accept changes when it is dis-

cussed in Parliament on Tuesday. "Nobody says the text of the decree can't he amended," the prime minister said. "The government does not want to he

intransigent about it."

When he signed the measure last week,

Mr. Berlusconi said he wanted to strike a blow for human rights and thwart the risk that a powerful band of investigating mag-istrates could turn Italy into a "police

But he failed to reckon with the intensity of public outrage with the 30-month corruption scandal that banished the old ruling class and ultimately swept his Forza Italia movement to power. His "charter for

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### At Least 22 Die Jordanians In Bombing of Jewish Offices Hopeful as In Argentina Compiled by One Staff From Dispatches

BUENOS AIRES - In a deadly echo of a terrorist attack on the Israeli Embassy here two years ago, an explosion destroye a building housing two of Argentina's main Jewish organizations on Monday, killing at least 22 people and wounding more than 100.

Israeli officials in Jerusalem said the attack was the work of terrorists, and the World Jewish Congress in New York called on all Jewish organizations to take immediate security precautions.

Raul Burzaco, press secretary to Argentina's president, Carlos Saul Menem, said the government believed that a bomb had been planted inside the huilding. But a state prosecutor said initial evideoce

An estimated 100 people worked in the seven-story building housing the Delegation of Argentine Israeli Associations, the country's principal Jewish community organization, and the Argentine Israelite Mutual Association, a charity group. Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella said 22

people were known to have died, although rescue workers believed that perhaps dozens more were trapped beneath the rubble. Mr. Burzaco said 100 to 120 people had

In March 1992, a car bomb leveled the Israeli Embassy in Buenos Aires, killing 30 people and wounding more than 200. Responsibility for that attack has never been determined, although Israel blamed Muslim fundamentalists.

Andrea Sciarc, the press secretary at the Israeli Emhassy in Buenos Aires, said the explosion about 10 A.M. on Monday was a repetition of the tragedy that took place two years ago.

An individual telephoned Radio Mitre in Buenos Aires claiming that the attack was the work of an Islamic group, but it was not immediately clear if the call was authentic. Later, two foreigners were arrested as they were about to leave the country, Mr. Burzaco said. He said there was no evidence against the detainees and they had oot been charged.

Although Mr. Burzaco declined to give their nationalities, the state-owned Telam news agency quoted sources as saying that an Iranian man and a German woman had been stopped at the Ezeiza international

airport outside Buenos Aires. In Jerusalem, the Israeli foreign minister, Shimon Peres, said, "It appears that there was an anti-Semitic and anti-Israeli

Asked if he was certain the explosion was a terrorist attack, he replied: "Yes, definitely."

President Menem said the explosion was an attack planned "from abroad and helped by people here."

At the site of the bombing, dozens of rescue workers and volunteers climbed atop the rubble, passing along oxygen tanks and masks while struggling to re-

move blocks of concrete. Several hours after the explosion, the Justice Ministry building was evacuated following a bomb threat.

(AP, AFP, Reuters)

# And Israelis Talks Begin

At Table on the Border, They Predict an End To 46 Years of War

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service
EIN AVRONA, Israel — In an airconditioned tent straddling their countries' desert border, peace oegotiators for Israel and Jordan met publicly Monday for the first time in their own region and spoke with new optimism about ending their technical state of war of 46 years.

Both sides said the talks had gone well, but they added that they would need time to produce the peace treaty that has cluded the two countries even though they have long cooperated to keep their frontier qui-

Difficult issues remain over a range of issues, including border lines, water rights and the fate of hundreds of thousands of Palestinian refugees.

But no one here, in a desert valley north of the Gulf of Aqaba, had expected instant results. Symbolism was the substance Monday, the central point being that the

In response to Sunday's riots, Israel has sealed off the Gaza Strip, curtailing the move a million inhabitants there. Page 2.

old enemies had begun talking to each other on their own turf after three years of incooclusive meetings in conference rooms in Washington.

We hope that our location, which gives testimony to the imperatives of geographic proximity and interdependence, will inspire us to arrive at tangible results," said Fayez Tarawneh, Jordan's chief delegate

and its amhassador to the United States. Elyakim Ruhinstein, head of the Israeli team and a former cabinet secretary, said: "This meeting takes place in a tent. The tent is tentative, but peace should, and will

For Israel, the change of venue was a triumph, signaling another step toward full acceptance by its Arab oeighbors. And the meeting was only the first of several events scheduled over the next week to make a point that Israel and Jordan are oo a fast track, although how fast remains to

On Wednesday, in another first, the Israeli foreign minister will cross the border to meet his American and Jordanian counterparts at a hotel on Jordan's side of the Dead Sea. Then on July 25, King Hussein of Jordan is supposed to meet publicly at the White House with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, yet another precedent.

The king and the prime minister are known to have talked secretly in the past, part of a series of clandestine encounters that the Jordanian monarch has had with Israeli leaders for three decades.

By now going public, lured in that direc-tion by prospects of American military aid and debt write-offs, King Hussein hints at a oew self-assurance. His aim, he has said in recent days, is to protect his own natiooal interests, but he also seems intent on asserting a measure of independence from Syria and on outflanking the Palestinians in claims to authority over Muslim holy places in Jerusalem.

The perennial big question is whether he will be so bold as to make Jordan the second Arab country, after Egypt, to sign a peace treaty with Israel or will wait until Syria, Lebanon and the Palestinians are also ready. For now, the official Jordanian line is that no separate treaties will be

But that does not rule out important progress, and both Jordanians and Israelis tried to impart a sense of historic change to the oegotiating session in the tent, even if it qualified on many levels as nothing more than a photogenic extension of Washing-ton talks carried out with slender results since 1991.

Surrounding the tent was a double row of barbed-wire fencing, and officials cautioned journalists from straying too far because of nearby mine fields.

Against a backdrop of jagged moun-

tains, Ein Avrona is a nature preserve oo the Israeli side of the cease-fire line established after a war that followed Israel's founding in 1948. It is also a testament to the formal state of war that still exists. Still, the two delegations acknowledged

that they had brought their talks home, the significance of that fact reinforced by the live hroadcasts carried by both state televi-

### Murayama's Policy Opener: Trying to Reassure Public

New York Times Service

TOKYO — The Japanese were cynical and angry three weeks ago when a Socialist became prime minister by joining forces with his party's long-standing conservative is and outling a reform coalition. But in his first policy address, on Monday, Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama sought to reassure a wary public by abandoning the Socialists' opposition to the country's mili-ary and vowing to open the economy to a reer flow of goods.

Mr. Murayama, 70, who came into of-ice with about the lowest public approval ating of any postwar prime minister, foused on persuading the public that his government was interested in more than cizing power and that the Socialists' farest policies were a thing of the past.
His odd coalition, he insisted during the

address in Parliament, was committed to lowering the trade surplus, improving strained relations with the United States, cutting taxes, reducing astronomical con-sumer prices, granting the public freer access to information, and cleaning up a political system that often looks, he said, like "some kind of underhanded scam."

"I intend to travel the road to reform no matter how difficult the path ahead may be." he said, trying to counter an impression that his government, dominated by the conservative Liberal Democratic Par-

ty, may just defend the status quo.

Mr. Murayama delivered a reassuring message, promising continuity in Japan's foreign policies. But he did underscore a subtle but important shift. He abandoned the Social Democratic

Party's traditionally anti-American stance See JAPAN, Page 6

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### 20 Reported Dead in Nigeria Protests

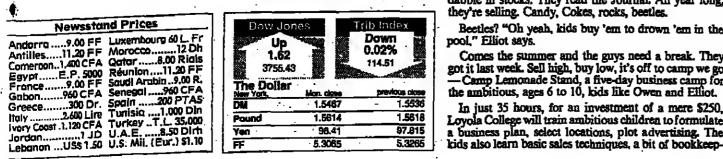
LAGOS (Reuters) —At least 20 peo-ple were killed on Monday in anti-government demonstrations in Lagos, the leader of a political pressure group said.
There was no official confirmation of

the deaths, which were reported by Beko Ransome-Kuti, the president of the group, the Campaign for Democra-

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Nigeria has been brought to a virtual standstill by striking oil unions pressing for the release of an opposition politician, Moshood Abiola, the apparent winner of last year's annulled presidential elections.

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#### And Grit-but No Goals By Ian Thomsen International Herald Tribune PASADENA, California — More honor in the first tournament decided on penalty kicks, and just the fourth won after the regulation 90 minutes had ex-

The Last Act Had Pathos

than 94,000 voices were groaning or pired. shricking and everyone in anything yellow was leaping up and down, and yet no one was moving more powerfully than Roberto Baggio. He was moving hardly at all. His head drooped a little and his hands fell onto his hips as he simply stood among those celebrating in his

The most fluid of all the world championships to visit America came to a stuttering halt on Sunday. It will be re-membered that Roberto Baggio missed his penalty shot, like a baseball player striking out in the bottom of the ninth or basketball player missing a free throw or, closest of all, a kicker missing a field goal at the end of a football game played by behemoths. The 15th World Cup final had come down to a scoreless draw that somehow was lost by the two bravest Italians and won by the rightful champion, Brazil, 3-2 on penalties.

So did Brazil become the first fourtime champion, beating Italy to that

sell the units.

How it happened that Brazil became the first four-time world champion made no difference to its players, who exorcised themselves of Pelé as the great man himself jumped up and down cheering on TV sets the world around. Brazil's other titles had been won around Pelé, who was analyzing this match for the people back home when, all of a sudden,

they heard him shrieking and probably all began to shriek themselves - 152 million people all shricking at once. When the solid gold trophy was handed to Carlos Alberto Parreira, the Brazilian mager whose neo-conservative tactics had been criticized by Pelé, the coach carried it over his head through the Rose Bowl as hundreds of hands of all colors were thrust out to touch it.

The penalties had been the final touch of hell for him, too. He had fielded the best team - even if Pelé and everyone

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### When Kiddie Capitalists Go to Camp, Forget the Fun

By Marc Fisher

Washington Post Service BALTIMORE - Owen and Elliot are in sales. They dabble in stocks. They read the Journal, All year long, they're selling. Candy, Cokes, rocks, beetles.

Beetles? "Oh yeah, kids buy 'em to drown 'em in the Comes the summer and the guys need a break. They got it last week. Sell high, buy low, it's off to camp we go

— Camp Lemonade Stand, a five-day business camp for the ambitious, ages 6 to 10, kids like Owen and Elliot. In just 35 hours, for an investment of a mere \$250, Loyola College will train ambitious children to formulate a business plan, select locations, plot advertising. The

ing and the proper construction of a lemonade stand. No extra charge for the lemonade.

In its third summer, Camp Lemonade Stand is in such

demand that Loyola has tacked on a second session. "Believe me, this has nothing to do with the parents," insists Amy Mutch, mother of 9-year-old Elliot. "It's the kids. Owen and Elliot have always talked about business. They sell everything. They were stealing bamboo from a neighbor's yard and selling it. They don't just want to buy a house, they want an apartment house so they can

"If you know these kids, you know: This is the perfect camp for them. And didn't they do a study that paperboys are more likely to become CEOs?" There's not a lanyard in sight. No "bug juice." no color

wars. The competition at Camp Lemonade Stand is for

market share. The week culminates in a day of hawking lemonade at various spots on the Loyola campus. The campers divide into groups of five or six; the group that sells the most lemonade gets to pick a prize.

Owen and Elliot's group - the Grateful Lemons, they call themselves — consists of 9- and 10-year-old boys and Bryson Iacoboni, who, at 7, is one of the youngest kids in the camp. There is method here.

"This is my strategy," Elliot says. "We take a really cute little kid and we put him out there. I take a tray of cups and walk around campus with the little cute kid. The secretaries will think he's so cute, they'll huy lemon-

The scheme works. The Grateful Lemons sell all the See CAMP, Page 3

### In Britain, 'Clinton Cousin' Gives Labor Party a Boost

CARDIFF. Wales - A new and potentially enlivening phase in British politics is set to begin this week when the opposition Labor Party, ont of office for 15 years but well ahead of the governing Conservative Party in opinion polls, picks a leader it hopes will restore the party to pow-

The new Labor leader is widely predicted to be Tony Blair, 41, a telegenic lawyer who projects himself as an ideological cousin of President Bill Clinton.

Mr. Blair is not yet in under the wire, but pollsters and the British media have been declaring for weeks that the Labor leadership race is all but over. Results are be announced on Thursday.

A surprise is at least conceivable: This contest marks the first democratic vote by 4 million Labor Party members since reforms stripped union bosses of the power to hand-

pick the party leader. Yet neither of Mr. Blair's more traditionally socialist rivals, deputy Labor leader Margaret Beckett or employment spokesman John Pres-cott, has waged a scintillating campaign during the last few weeks. Opinion polls and analysts describe them as competing mainly for the job of Mr. Blair's deputy. Overall, the leadership contest has

been dull, polite and dominated by media set pieces that have provided a national platform for Mr. Blair's attempt to modernize Labor's image and seduce middle-class swing vot-ers, mainly in southern England, who have kept the Conservative Party in office for so long.

In policy speeches, Mr. Blair has sought to accelerate Labor's 15-year

shuffle toward the political center. He has placed heavy emphasis on worker training; public "investments," as opposed to government spending, and education. "Community" has become his favorite buzzword. He draws mainly on Christian-

In campaign style, Mr. Blair has taken a page from the U.S. president. Once the lead singer in a university rock-and-roll band, Mr. Blair keeps his abundant hair carefully coiffed at campaign appearances, and has sought youthful support by turning

his allegiance to contemporary rock groups such as R.E.M. "I think there is a connection between the voyage of rediscovery on which President Clinton embarked

with the Democrats and the essential

up on pop radio programs to declare

was too much emphasis on state conity, not secular socialism, as a source for language and ideas about collective British values.

Was about trol and vested interests. And the new right has failed because it confuses the need for a dynamic market fuses the need for a dynamic market economy with a crude form of individualism that actually doesn't equip people to survive and prosper in a changing world market." Such phrases may sound soft and

fuzzy - in fact, they are deliberately But Mr. Blair's camp is also aware vague, for Labor has decided not to offer specifics on tax rates and bud- The party has been well ahead in the get plans until the next election is at and, probably in two years.
Yet the Conservative Party clearly

has cause for worry. A recent poll of it hard to trust that the party would 1,897 likely voters asked whether not raise taxes substantially or recent poll of it hard to trust that the party would

this ruthless wooing of former Conservative voters," said a recent editorial in the Daily Telegraph.

It added that Mr. Blair's "personal qualities of charm, intelligence and honesty will not make that task casy." In fact, it said he "could become a real danger" to the Conservative Party.

of the danger Labor poses to itself. polls between elections before, only to collapse at the final vote, appar-ently because many Britons still find Prime Minister John Major or Mr. inflation with unbridled spending.

#### **WORLD BRIEFS**

UN Retains Trade Embargo on Iraq

UNITED NATIONS, New York (AP) — A divided Security Council on Monday maintained the crippling economic embargo against Iraq after the United States campaigned against any move to ease the sanctions.

Diplomats said no nation had favored the immediate lifting of sanctions, but pointed to divisions within the 15-nation council over what approach to take toward Baghdad. The sanctions were imposed after Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait in August 1990.

The council, which reviews the Iraqi sanctions every two months, met in a closed session. Some nations, including Russia and France, favor a gradual easing of sanctions as Iraq fulfills the conditions imposed under the cease-fire that ended the Gulf War. They want the council to issue a statement acknowledging laaq's cooperation with weapons inspectors, a key step toward getting the oil embargo lifted against Iraq.

<u>China Critic Gains Asylum in Canada</u>

HONG KONG (AFP) — One of Hong Kong's chief critics of China has been granted asylum in Canada, the first from the

territory to successfully seek political asylum ahead of China's takeover in 1997, his party said Monday.

Asylum was granted to So Keng-chit, a founding member of the United Democrats of Hong Kong, which has been condemned by

Beijing for its anti-China stance. Mr. So reportedly asked for asylum after receiving letters and phone calls saying that he and his family would be harmed if he did not stop criticizing China. His lawyer was said to have asserted before the refugee board that the threats had been politically motivated and were suspected to have come from China.

#### Kohl Wants East States at EU Talks

BONN (Reuters) -- Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany proposed on Monday that East European states be invited to European Union summit meetings as a step to membership.

Mr. Kohl told a joint news conference with Prime Minister Gyula Horn of Hungary that inviting East European leaders would help win popular support in the former Soviet bloc for membership. He said the proposal was tailored especially for the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland and Hungary, whose governments have said they wish to join the European Union.

The chancellor, whose nation currently holds the European Union's rotating presidency, said he would discuss the issue with the other 11 member states.

#### Tokyo Sex-Slave Report Denounced

TOKYO (AP) - Groups demanding compensation for Asian women forced to provide sexual services for soldiers of Japan's World War II army are denouncing a reported Japanese plan to spend \$1 billion on friendship projects for their nations instead. "This move is insufficient and unacceptable," the 40 groups, including those representing South Koreans and Filipinos, said in a joint statement submitted Monday to Prime Minister Tomiichi

The groups, renewing demands for individual compensation and sincere apologies, also started collecting signatures on petitions. The national newspaper Asahi Shimbun reported Sunday that Japan was considering the plan to atone for the wartime sex

#### Taiwan to Get U.S. F-16 Technology

TAIPEI (AP) — The United States has agreed to transfer technology so Taiwan can make key components of the F-16 jet fighters it is buying from a U.S. company, a government official

The agreement is part of a \$600 million offset program for Taiwan's purchase of the planes, said Jack Tang, deputy director of the Economics Ministry's Committee for Aviation and Space Industry Development. Taiwan is expected to sign an agreement on the cooperation project with Lockheed Fort Worth Co., manufacturer of the F-16 jets, later this year, he said.

Taiwan bought 150 F-16s for 36 billion in 1992. The planes are

### The special parliamentary Bonn Drops Threat on Beef, EC Says

to be delivered between 1996 and 1999.

into 11 complaints against former Prime Minister Laurent threat to ban imports of British beef after European Union Fabius, former Social Affairs veterinary experts agreed to tighten restrictions to stop the spread

The commission proposed a ban on exports of meat containing bones from herds that have not been free of the disease, bovine spongiform encephalopathy, for six years, instead of two years. "The commission proposal was unanimously adopted," the spokesman said, adding, "The Germans will totally withdraw their ban."

### **Israel Seals** Gaza Strip **Indefinitely After Riots**

By Youssef M. Ibrahim

New York Times Service
JERUSALEM — 1srael scaled off the Gaza Strip on Monday, restricting the move-ment of a million inhabitants there and the transport of goods to or from the are

Israeli officials refused to say how long the closure would last. An official of the Palestinian authority in Gaza and Jericho, Freh Abu Medeen, who is responsible for justice affairs, said he hoped it would be ended by Wednesday.

Israeli authorities said only that the closure would be enforced until "further notice."

The sealing of the Gaza Strip followed rioting on Sunday by Palestinian workers who had been stopped by the Israelis while attempting to cross the border. The rioting resulted in the deaths of two Palestinians and the injury of nearly 100 people, including 17 Israelis. The Erez checkpoint, where Palestinians normally gather to seek jobs in Israel, was heavily

deserted on Monday, with only Palestinian and Israeli security officials present All civilians traveling from Israel were banned from crossing into

The rioting dominated the 1sgross irresponsibi ity" for having lost control of the situation under the pressure of angry Palestinian workers and of having participated in

firing on Israeli troops in Erez. **Environment Minister Yossi** Sarid said that Israel may revise its admission procedures for workers coming from Gaza to avoid the kind of humiliating treatment and massive delays that led to Sunday's riots. But other cabinet ministers seemed less sympathetic to the plight of unemployed Palestinians.

Senior Israeli government officials blamed the riots on Muslim fundamentalist opponents of the peace process, accusing the militant groups Hamas and Islamie Jihad of having taken advantage of the riots to stir opposition to the peace treaty between Isreal and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In pamphlets distributed Monday in Gaza, Hamas vowed to avenge the dead and wounded Palestinians, saying it was "proud" of members of the Palestinian police who participated in fighting against Isracli soldiers during the riots.

#### **Body Found After 14 Years** The Associated Press

COPENHAGEN - The body of a Danish mountain climber has been found frozen in a glacier in the French Alps 14 years after he disappeared on an expedition, the Danish police said Monday. The body of the climber, Mads Bech Madsen, was spotted Friday.



The checkpoint was nearly Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, left, and Mr. Christopher heading to a meeting Monday.

### Christopher Begins Mideast Shuttle

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Shuttle diplomacy Monday to cement peace

In a weeklong tour, Mr. Christopher will visit doctors have noted that he was moves by Israel, Jordan and the PLO speed a breakthrough with Syria.

The Arab-Israeli conflict, one of the most long-standing and most intractable conflicts of this entire century, is drawing to an end," Mr. Christopher declared after talks with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

"There will be difficulties on the path ahead, prostate cancer and that the opbut nonetheless we are proceeding to assist the cration was viewed as an alter-

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The United States, which says it has received said the operation was delayed unspecified "concrete proposals" from both Is-

as well as Israel and meet the not responding as well as bo Palestine Liberation Organization leader, Yasser to hormone treatment.

raci and Syria, wants to see an agreement be-tween the two emerge by the end of this year. schedule, which included at-tending a meeting of leaders of

#### **Mitterrand Surgery** Goes 'Very Well' the Group of Seven nations in Naples 10 days ago and presid-ing over the annual Bastille Day By Alan Riding

New York Times Service PARIS — President François Mitterrand of France, who was diagnosed to be suffering with prostate cancer two years ago, underwent surgery Monday to remove a blockage in his urinary tract.

His personal physician, Dr. Claude Gubler, said the opera-

tion went "very well."
Mr. Mitterrand, who is 77
and is due to retire in May after 14 years in office, entered the Cochin Hospital here Sunday night and was expected to be kept under observation until the weekend. His hospitalization was only announced after the operation was completed about noon Monday.

After the president's last regular medical checknp. Dr. Gleber said that there was no evidence of extension of the cancer, but he noted that Mr. Mitterrand was suffering some discomfort caused by scar tis-sue near the junction between the uretha and the bladder.

In his statement Monday, Dr. Gleber said the operation followed seven weeks of tests and scans and was designed to remove a constriction of the uretha, which was causing irritation of the kidneys.

"The operation, carried out by endoscopy, went very well," added.

Medical experts said that obstruction of the urinary tract dent's prostate. In the past, his

French government officials

rand inaugurated a memorial in Paris to Jewish children deported to Nazi deaths camps in 1944. Mr. Balladur, who was

celebrations here July 14.

On Sunday morning, accompanied by Prime Minister Edouard Balladur, Mr. Mitter-

told a week ago of the presi-dent's planned surgery, will preside over Wednesday's regular meeting of the cabinet. The French president underwent surgery for prostate cancer under a general anesthetic on Sept. 11, 1992, and he only resumed normal activities two

months for a full recovery. Mr. Mitterrand's absence is unlikely to have much impact on French politics because he has indicated that he had no intention of trying to lead his Socialist Party to a third term in the Elysée Palace.

months later. Medical experts

believe he may again need two

#### France Reopens AIDS-Blood Case

PARIS - A court reopened an inquiry Monday into whether three former government ministers were to hlame for tainted blood transfusions that gave AIDS to hundreds of he-

court opened an investigation Minister Georgina Dufoix and former Health Minister Ed- said.

mond Herve. The transfusions were allowed by health authorities in 1985. The three former ministers have denied wrongdoing.

#### Airlines to Match Continental's Cuts

TRAVEL UPDATE

HOUSTON (AP) — Trans World Airlines and United Airlines said they would match fare cuts by Continental Airlines in all competitive markets, while American Airlines said it would match the cuts on domestic routes and flights to Hawaii and would make

a decision on international flights. Delta Air Lines said it was considering matching Continental's

Continental passengers have until Friday to take advantage of the fare cuts, of op to 50 percent, that were announced on Sunday. The sale applies to roundtrip coach seats on most flights through Sept. 29, and travelers must leave on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday and stay over a Saturday night.

Vietnam has approved a \$500 million plan to expand Hanoi's international airport, which will include the construction of a runway and terminal, Vietnam News reported Monday. (AFP)

Southern China's first superhighway, linking the boomtown of Shenzhen to the metropolis of Guangzhou, opened to traffie on Monday. The six-lane, 125-kilometer road (80-mile) road, which took three years and cost \$1.1 billion to build, was expected to be used by 30,000 vehicles daily.

More than 300 people escaped in lifeboats Monday after a fire broke out on a car ferry off southern Norway. There was one minor injury to a passenger.

About 20 armed bandits robbed tourists and other passengers on a bus near the Kenyan coastal resort of Lamu, the police said Monday. It was the latest in a string of robberies involving

Romanian railroad unions have postponed a planned two-hour warning strike until next Monday pending further negotiations with the Transport Ministry. Rail workers are pressing for inflation-linked pay raises.

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### Missile Threats Spur Fear of Wide Asian Arms Race

SINGAPORE — Asian countries, alarmed at a possible threat of nuclear-armed hallistic missiles in the hands of North Korea and several other regional states, are likely to develop similar weapon systems or greatly strengthen their missile defenses, analysts say.

As a result, there is a serious risk of a widespread arms race in Asia. Such a race is already under way in South Asia between India and Pakistan, and there are serious tensions in Northeast Asia over the nuclear arms

issue and ballistie missiles. Japan said recently that North Korea's long-range missiles and its suspected plans to develop nuclear, chemical and hiological warheads posed a grave threat to Japan and the

In an annual military white paper, Japan said it believed North Korea would soon complete development of the Rodong-I missile, with a range of about 1,000 kilometers (600 miles).

Analysts said that the missile, which has the range to hit all of South Korea and parts of Japan, would probably be deployed in the first half

If North Korea is found to have

Austrian Ch

acquired a nuclear arsenal with impumity, according to François Heisbourg, senior vice president for strategic development at Matra Défense-Espace missile and aerospace company in France, then "there is every risk that South Korea and possibly Japan will feel compelled to make wrenching reappraisals of their de-

Nuclear weapons and ballistic mis-siles "could become priority items," he warned. "Imitation would then ensure policy changes in the rest of the region.

Speaking at a conference in Singapore earlier this year, Mr. Heisbourg, a former director of the International Institute for Strategie Studies in London, said the spread of ballistic missiles and weapons of mass destruction was "the greatest short-term challenge" to peace and security in Asia. North Korea test-fired the Rodong-

Asia's increasing industrial and technological sophistication and growing financial strength are providing the resources for developing or

quiring missile technology. India justifies its missile development program by claiming that it tiplied," he said. They include long-

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faces a threat from China, which has range air-to-ground missiles carried long-range as well as tactical nuclear arms. But Pakistan appears to be India's main immediate target. India has fought three wars with Pakistan and one with China since

gaining independence in 1947.

Both countries refuse to sign the international treaty banning the spread of nuclear weapons, and Western officials say that each now has the capability to make nuclear bombs if it

has not already done so. Some analysts expect India to start deploying a ballistic missile next year with a range of 2,500 kilometers, meaning it could reach targets deep inside Pakistan.

India's existing missile system can strike targets no farther than 250 kilo-

Pakistan has missiles in an advanced stage of development that have ranges of up to 600 kilometers, analysts said.

ballistic missile threats in Asia that put "a premium on viable long-range air defense," said Derek da Cunha, a senior fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore.

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by aircraft, cruise missiles fired from land and sea, and ballistic missiles armed with chemical, biological and nuclear warheads, he said. Asia's increasing industrial and technological sophistication and its

growing financial strength are providing the resources for developing or acquiring missile technology.

Analysts said that turmoil in the former Soviet Union and its military industries was also providing new opportunities for Asian countries to gain access to the expertise and equipment

needed to make nuclear weapons and

ballistic missiles. Brahma Chellaney, a specialist in the Peace Research Center at the Australian National University in Canberra, said that even by conservative estimates, China had close to 500 nuclear weapons, including tactical nuclear arms for aircraft and short-range missiles for battlefield use, not deter-

He said that China's retention of battlefield nuclear weapons was causing "serious concern to its neighbors since Russia, the only neighbor with an acknowledged arsenal of such weapons, is currently eliminating

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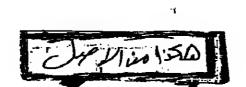
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Neil Armstrong greeting fans at an air show in New Knoxville, Ohio, as the 25th anniversary of his moon walk nears.

### Americans Recall Moon Walk Wistfully

By B. Drummond Ayres Jr. New York Times Service

LOS ANGELES - Twenty-five years after the United States put a man on the moon, Americans still take great pride in that epochal achievement. But it is a tempered pride.

Conversations with dozens of Americans find a pensive, even melancholy longing for the heady days of July 1969, when the nation, despite crippling divisions over issues like the Vietnam War and racial equality, somehow still managed to pull together and collectively focus on and attain an awesome goal

Today, many Americans say, that spe-cial measure of togetherness has been lost while the divisions remain.

Like millions of people in the United States and around the world, Disna Birchall, 48, a script analyst for a Los Angeles studio, remembers spending July 20, 1969, in front of her television set, filled with pride for mankind and America and transfixed by the scratchy sounds and images coming back from the moon.

"Sadly," she recently lamented, "it turns out that what everybody thought would be a new epoch after the moon walk didn't last much longer than the moon walk itself. I have always been shocked by how little that moment carried forward. It's as though it was a big hoax shot on the back lot of a Hollywood

Many people repeated a phrase that has become almost a cliche since the Apollo 1I mission, asking why a nation that put a man on the moon cannot seem to achieve earthly goals like ridding itself of racism, finding food, shelter and jobs for the poor and extending bealth care to

"It was this great unifying moment, a kind of new frontier," Barbara George, a bookstore manager in Palo Alto, Califorma, recalled of the moon walk. "But we have the same problems today as we had back then - poverty, wars, racism."

Don Oldham, 70, a homeless elevator operator in Seattle, offered a starker reflection. Sitting outside a shelter and watching other homeless people shuffle into line for a hot meal, he said, "Moon walk didn't change my life — and didn't change their life."

But there is still buge national pride in what was achieved when Neil A. Armstrong, the commander of the Apollo 11 mission, first stepped on the moon's dusty surface,

At that time, Kevin Fogarty, 56, a Boston bus driver, said, "The U.S. was

supreme."
Yet, random conversations, as well as national polls, indicate that there is no real national yearning for another multi-billion-dollar manned thrust into space toward more distant moons, planets and

To the contrary, there are second thoughts about whether the Apollo project should ever bave been attempted. even if it did take man farther than he

### Majority Chief Seeks Majority Gephardt Shops for Votes on Health Care Bill

By Robin Toner New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Being majority leader of the House is a fine job when a majority exists behind a bill. But building a majority is an entirely different experience, a painstaking exercise in ego-stroking, family therapy, ideological fire-walking and endless nudging toward compromise among members passionately at odds.

This is one of those moments. for Representative Richard A. Gephardt, the man who must build a consensus for a health care bill in the next four weeks. His task is variously described as Herculean and almost undoable by his colleagues; it is clearly not for the faint of heart or the short of temper.

"I often say to people," the Missouri Democrat said in an interview last week, "that my great fear as majority leader is that there is no majority, that we'll be unable to act, that there isn't enough agreement to find a majority. People have begun to expect that it's easy to find

Mr. Gephardt, who has spent 18 of his 53 years in the House, added: "It isn't so easy, and it can't be so easy. It has to be hard. Because the disagreement is deep; it's fundamental."

This is not merely the protective playing down of expecta-tions. The challenge facing the majority leader is immense as he makes his way from meeting to meeting, caucus to cloakroom, seeking a political formula that satisfies the goal of health insurance for every American - still the bottom line of the Democratic leader-

and gets 218 votes.

The Republicans are consid- that is financed by taxes. ered all but certain to vote as a . There are also restless conserbloc against the "consensus" bill put forward by Mr. Gep- Representative James Cooper hardt and the rest of the Demo of Tennessee, who are pushing cratic leadership. That means for a more limited bipartisan he is essentially confined to the bill without universal coverage 256 Democrats in the House, or a requirement that compa-And, as Representative Jim nies pay for insurance. McDermott, Democrat of Washington, put it, "Peeling off bers who wish, in their heart of 40 votes in here is not very hearts, that this big, unpleasant, hard." hearts, that this big, unpleasant, risky issue would simply go

Aiready, to cite just one issue, away. Or that the White House Democrats have signed a let-would strike some compromise 35 Democrats have signed a let-

The challenge facing the majority leader is immense as he makes his way from meeting to meeting.

ter declaring they will bolt if the bill covers abortion services; 70 others have made a similar threat if it does not.

"As always, we have tensions in both ends of our party," Mr. Gephardt said, somewhat delicately assessing the situation inside the Democratic caucus. In fact, rarely have the ideological and philosophical divisions among House Democrats been more apparent.

The caucus ranges from miniand contained without it, if and malists like Representative J. there was a way to get the sysmetry Roy Rowland, a former family doctor from Georgia who backs a modest package of new insurance industry laws, to maximalists like Mr. McDermott, a former psychiatrist from Seattle lies at the heart of being able to who believes in a Canadian- get the system reformed."

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lemonade they can pour. The style system of national health kids love it. Maybe even more than they like talking stocks, insurance called single payer which is what they do wben they're not designing shopping malls ("Mine has toys on the vatives and moderates, such as ground floor, men's clothes on the second and women's on the

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ple believe," Mr. Gephardt said, "that it lies at the heart of

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third," says Stephen Goldberg). It's 96 degrees Fahrenheit (36 degrees centigrade) and sunny, and the pool outside is empty. No one plays on the college's And then there are the memfields of green. The kids are on the carpeting inside a dormitory apartment, learning about loans. Except that when the counselor, Michelle D'Adamo, tries to launch ber lesson on on universal coverage that interest rates, the kids already would make the process easier. know everything she was about Or that the Senate would take the hard votes first for a change.

"They are very, very smart," says Ms. D'Adamo. "These are kids who can say all the presiso far, has drawn a line in the dents' names. They explained "interest' to us. It's a class That essentially means members will not be spared a vote on thing. I mean, look at the family backgrounds of these kids. They already know they want to workers' insurance, because go to Harvard."

that is the primary means of Camp Lemonade Stand cerpaying for such coverage. Why tainly draws from the ranks of not just give on universal cover-age, as some prominent Demothe upper crust. Elliot's father, Patrick, is president of a hospicrats in the Senate, including tal. Other parents are lawyers, doctors, computer executives. han of New York, already have? "We believe, the president believes and a lot of other peo-

These are folks who can afford to indulge in "sequential summers," sending the kids to a series of specialized camps. Tommy Peter spent this week at Camp Lemonade Stand, He's already been to soccer camp a way to get costs moderated already been to soccer camp and contained without it, if and swimming lessons this sum-

> "Twenty years ago, the vast majority of kids who went to camp went for eight weeks to a general sleep-away camp," says aul Johnston, who works at a Bethesda camp-counseling service. "Then society turned against institutions, and as the boomers came through, the two-parent earners, they valued family vacation and built up demand for shorter, specialized

Your standard summer camp - swimming baseball, nasty food, lots of mosquitoes seems boring to many kids, especially if compared with a summer of karate camp one week, lacrosse the next, computer after that and a week of wilderness adventure to wrap it

"The business stuff is a tiny, tiny part of the market," Mr. Johnston says, "but it's here to

"Everything is money, mon-ey, money now," says Sheila Pe-ter, Tommy's mom.

"Tommy needs to understand that money is not just something you have," she adds.

### A 'Wallop' On Jupiter **Bedazzles Scientists**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches GREENBELT, Maryland -One of the higgest of the 21 fragments of the dying comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 smashed into Jupiter on Monday, causing an explosion so bright that it overpowered monitoring iti-

The piece of the comet, called fragment G, hit the backside of Jupiter and bloomed into a buge fireball that for a few moments was brighter than the planet itself, astronomers said. The plume of superheated gas rose about 1,000 miles (1,600 kilometers) above the planet's surface, astronomers said.

"It was a big wallop," said Eugene Shoemaker, a U.S. Geoogical Survey scientist and codiscoverer of the comet. He estimated that the energy released by fragment G was equal to about 6 million megatons of TNT and created temperatures of more than 50,000 degrees Fahrenheit (28,000 degrees cen-

tigrade).
"It bad an absolutely spectacular effect in its impact on the planet," Mr. Shoemaker

Fragment G was followed by the equally large fragment H. At least two more of the 21 fragments of Shoemaker-Levy 9 are of similar size.

By Monday afternoon, nine fragments had smashed into Jupiter since the bombardment started Saturday. The last fragment, W, is expected to hit the

planet Friday.
"The energy teleased is be-yond any of our experiences on Earth," said Lucy McFadden, a University of Maryland astronomer. "Ten thousand megatons is the total energy that we can create on Earth with bombs."

Infrared radiation was so great from the explosion that detectors at the Keck Observatory in Hawaii were overvhelmed, or saturated.

The titanic bombardment bas created pockmarks and blemishes on Jupiter's cloudcovered face. The marks were spreading out, and some had grown to be bigger than the diameter of Earth. Scientists said the scars seemed to be thinit was m long they would last.

Astronomers at observatories around the world boped that each fresh explosion would reveal hitherto concealed details of the planet's structure.

Jupiter is almost all bydrogen gas, with only a relatively small central core. But as a highspeed comet fragment strikes, it creates powerful shock waves in the upper atmosphere and probably punches through a layer of ammonia clouds to a layer of dense hydrogen miles below. The shock waves create instant and extreme heat. The comet fragments are crushed.

Even though none of the 21 expected impacts of the frag-mented comet are directly visible from Earth, their aftereffects become visible as Jupiter rotates and each impact point swings around to face Earth.
The explosive force of the

comets comes from their size and their extreme velocity of around 130,000 miles an hour. (AP, NYT, AFP)

### A Haiti Policy Riddle to Solve U.S. Seeks Strategy to Handle Exiled President

By Daniel Williams Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - As recently as three years ago, Haiti's elected president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide, was a populist firebrand who upmob violence.

Today, living in exile in Washington, Father Aristide comes across as a moderate wbo rejects vengeance and talks a lot about the World Bank.

The contradiction between the two Father Aristides poses a riddle for the Clinton administration, whose policy on Haiti has focused on returning to power the 41-year-old Roman Catholic priest.

In delicate talks, U.S. offi-cials are working to pin down which Father Aristide they

would return to Port-au-Prince The question is especially sig-nificant because President Bill Clinton is thinking of sending U.S. troops to reinstall Father Aristide, Washington also plans to station U.S. forces in Haiti to defend him after his return, whether the military regime departs peacefully or is ousted by force. Haiti would then become a U.S. protectorate.

Will Washington move to supervise or even restrain Father Aristide? Will its troops have to He said that both G and H were about 2 miles in diameter.

Frammen G was 6.77 protect opposition politicians

the past few weeks, he has clashed with Washington over key issues, including U.S. refugee policy and the content of U.S.-financed radio broadcasts braided the rich with threats of to Haiti. Father Aristide also has refused to endorse an invasion that would benefit him, on

grounds that it would breach the Hairian Constitution. In short, Father Aristide is one tough client. The time for extracting compromises from him appears long passed. After three years of struggling with Washington's reluctance to get deeply involved with Haiti, he has American policy close to where he wants it and he is not

letting go.

Domestic political pressure from U.S. liberals, combined with the need to deal with a dramatic exodus of Haitian refugees, has forced the administranon to make the restoration of Father Aristide a top foreign policy priority.

Now, no matter the difficulties, Clinton administration officials say they are committed to Father Aristide for a simple reason: He won a free election in 1991 with 67 percent of the

"We are dealing with a basic fact: that Aristide is not just popular but worshiped in Haia senior official said. If Father Aristide's brief stay in office was imperfect, U.S.

how much supervision Father officials add, the rule of the Aristide would accept. Just in Haitian military has been tragic. Haitians have been traumatized by a campaign of terror,

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rape and death. Father Aristide is a populist who used mob power to intimidate political critics. During his seven-month stay in office, he spoke approvingly of "necklacing," the practice of igniting a tire around the neck of victims of street execution.

#### ■ Democracy Key Factor

The U.S. secretary of state, Warren M. Christopher, suggested on Monday that a U.S. invasion of Haiti could go ahead without the stated support of Father Aristide, Reuters reported from Washington.

We'd certainly like to have his support and cooperation" for any future invasion to oust Haiti's military rulers, Mr. Christopher said. But he added that "the restoration of democ-racy is the key factor there."

Mr. Christopher spoke on an

NBC program from Jerusalem,

where he was on a Middle East peace mission. He said the United States would like to avoid the use of force in Haiti,

"but it may come to that."
The secretary said that any
U.S. intervention would last "more than days, but certainly less than years," and could cost in excess of several hundred million dollars to a range of \$1

#### **Onward Christlan Rightists**

PORTLAND, Oregon - As the struggle intensifies around the country between more traditional Republicans and their counterparts on the Christian right, the first battle here in Oregon, a state long known for its political tolerance, is already over. And the fundamentalists have emerged triumphant.

Candidates backed by religious conservatives have defeated more moderate opponents in the Republican primaries for governor and for three seats in the House of Representatives. They have also posted a number of successes in state legislative races.

Mary Alice Ford, defeated after 15 years in the state legislature in a primary that highlighted her abortion-rights stand, is not pleased.

"Quite frankly. I don't consider them Republicans." she said. "I consider them religious opportunists."

Still bitter over her defeat, Ms. Ford said there was "now a litmus test to be elected to office." She said, "I'm angry that I'm not considered a real Christian because I happen

to be Episcopalian and I'm not born again, whatever that means. While the success in Oregon is so far unmatched in any other state, a pattern is nonetheless apparent nationwide. Christian conservatives who once concentrated on school boards and other local races are looking at

higher offices as they try to pull the Republican Party to the right. At least 30 Republicans who are waging aggressive campaigns for the House this year have strong ties to the Christian right. While several states have not yet had their primaries, these candidates have already won nominations or party endorsements in California, North Carolina. Virginia. Nebraska, Minne-sota, Wisconsin, Texas. Idaho. Wyoming and

"You're seeing the pro-family movement on the cusp of that transition from being a social protest movement to being a mainstream political force that can win elections. said Ralph Reed, executive director of the Christian Coalition.

other states.

Yet it is not clear how much appeal these candidates will have as they venture beyond local races. The danger for the religious conservatives in Oregon and in other states, and for the Republican Party, is that many moderate voters in their own party will be turned off by the hard-line positions of these candidates and sit out the election. (NYT)

#### The Lure of Chappaquiddick

CHAPPAQUIDDICK ISLAND, Massachusetts - From his lemonade stand at the intersection of Chappaquiddick and Dyke roads, Louis Becker, 12, offers tourists directions to the beaches, the wildlife reservations or the Mytoi Preserve, a Japanese garden where a red wooden footbridge crosses a pine-shaded pond.
But most visitors have another bridge in

mind: the Dyke Bridge. Twenty-five years ago, on the night of July 18, 1969, Senator Edward M. Kennedy drove his Oldsmobile off the bridge into Poucha Pond, and his passenger. Mary Jo Kopechne, drowned.

Mr. Kennedy, who did not call for help or report the incident for 10 hours, pleaded guilty later to leaving the scene of an acci-dent. He received a two-month suspended Dyke Bridge has crumbled in the last quar-

ter of a century. Hurricanes and souvenir collectors have taken a toll. All that remains are 23 weathered wooden pilings jutting crookedly out of the water, connected here Still, it has earned a distinction that is envied by many small innkeepers: a boldface entry in the "Fodor's Travel Guide" for the

Many people who live on Martha's Vineyard, adjacent to Chappaquiddick, find it hard to understand the fascination that the

bridge holds for people from the mainland.

"It's sort of regrettable to see how many people come just to see a bunch of pilings and wreckage and wood just because somebody famous drove off it in a foolish accident. said Louis, who runs the stand with his sister,

Margot. 7, and charges 50 cents a cup. There has been some inflation since Susan McHugh and her sisters, who grew up nearby, sold lemonade on the same spot in the years after the accident.

"We'd usually charge between 10 and 25 cents to tell people where the bridge was," recalled Ms. McHugh. "If they didn't pay, we would give them directions to the dump."

(NYT)

#### Quote/Unquote

Neil Armstrong, who 25 years ago was the first human to set foot on the lunar surface, asked if he thinks about his moon walk often: The answer is no. but it gets brought to my

### Simpson May Claim Frame-Up by Racist Detective

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Lawyers for O. J. Simpson will probably argue that their client was framed by a racist police detective who planted key evidence on his estate, according to a magazine report. Members of Mr. Simpson's

defense team will contend that Detective Mark Fuhrman found two bloody gloves at the scene of the murders of the former football star's ex-wife and ber friend and that he took one to Mr. Simpson's estate, where he claimed to have found it, The New Yorker reports in its July 25 issue, released Sunday.

The article cites interviews with at least two leading members of Mr. Simpson's defense team, who are not identified.

The matching bloody gloves - one found by the siashed bodies of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald L. Goldman and the other discovered on the grounds of Mr. Simpson's \$5 million Brentwood estate were among the strongest evidence presented by prosecutors at his preliminary hearing.

Detective Fuhrman denied the allegations. "Of course it didn't happen," he told The New Yorker, declining to discuss the case further.



reasons to plant the evidence. First, he wanted to be in the spotlight, they said. His second motivation, the lawyers charged

The attorneys contended that Fuhrman and both victims are Detective Fuhrman had two white.

Mr. Simpson bas pleaded not guilty to the June 12 murders of Mrs. Simpson and Mr. Goldman. He is jailed without bail in the report, was racism. Mr. awaiting a Superior Court ar-Simpson is black; Detective raignment.



#### **Away From Politics**

 An outbreak of drug-resistant tuberculosis at a high school in Westminster, California, is the worst ever reported in a high school in the United States, state officials say. A total of 292 students, or 23 percent of those enrolled, tested positive for the disease in September 1993. Another 84 students tested positive last month. The outbreak could have been prevented if doctors had correctly diagnosed a 16-year-old girl's persistent cough, national tuberculosis experts said.

• One in 13 juveniles was the victim of a violent crime in 1992, the Justice Department reported. Based on its annual survey of households, the government concluded that crimes committed against young people had risen 23 percent since 1987.

• Nearly one-third of those who had planned to take a cruise from New York to Bermuda

canceled their trips after federal investigators reported that three passengers on a previous cruise had been hospitalized with Legionnaires' disease. Health officials said there did not appear to be enough risk to quarantine the vessel, the Horizon, which is operated by Celebrity Cruises.

• A fund-raising raily for an Elks lodge in Hackettstown, New Jersey, turned deadly when members of two motorcycle groups exchanged gunfire. Two people were killed and three were wounded.

• Agricultural officials have destroyed what they said was the first swarm of Africanized honeybees to be found in Los Angeles County. Experts have been preparing for a migra-tion of the so-called "killer" bees from Arizona, but these came aboard a Dutch freighter that had docked in Guatemala.

### A New Era for Germany

Germany marked the passing of an era last Tuesday with the departure of U.S. troops from Berlin and the formal end of four-power occupation. President Bill Clinton and Chancellor Helmut Kohl stood side by side at the Brandenburg Gate, where the Berlin Wall once divided and disfigured the city.

- Germany's highest court that very day confirmed that the country's constitution poses no impediment to involving German troops in military operations abroad. That is reassuring for those who believe that Germany needs to carry its

weight in securing Europe.

But the issues of America's troop presence and Germany's military role have obscured the changed relationship. Once Germany was militarily dependent on NATO and deferred to American wishes. Now the two cooperate as equals with common interests.

Those interests are now more economic than military. Both countries, unlike much of Western Europe, see the need to open markets to struggling economies in the East and to integrate all the East and West politically. As President Clinton said in Berlin, "trade, as much as troops" will bind nations in the next century.

The American commitment to German security remains firm, although its importance has declined with the Soviet Union's demise. Continued cooperation between the two countries is still essential, however, to deal with today's security concerns — instability in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union resulting from traumatic economic and

political transformation.

German troops must play their part.

Germany is now a normal nation capable

of sharing the security burden. German politicians had hidden behind the constiturion whenever the question of committing troops abroad came up.

But the real impediments remain historical and political. They accounted for the reluctance to join the coalition against Iraq; Germany did not want to give any sign of military assertiveness at the time of reunification. Later, Germany hastened to recognize the independence of Croatia and Slovenia, which was right. But Germany was irresponsible to urge others to stand up to Serbia while it was inhibited from taking its own advice by

its World War II legacy.

Now that the court has said that a majority vote of the Bundestag will suffice to send troops abroad, the political impediment remains. No German government is likely to plunge ahead without a sizable majority and strong international approval, and Germany is likely to confine itself to peacekeeping.

But Germany's military contribution may be less important to future German-American relations than the economic and political commitments it shares with the United States. Both countries have a stake in promoting the East's recovery by giving it access to Western markets. Both want to see Europe's political culture and security community extended eastward to Russia. Neither can afford a resump-tion of Russian-German rivalry over Eastern Europe. Together, they could re-assure Russia and its neighbors; that means finding new ways to work with Moscow on security matters.

Those shared values make the German-American relationship special. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Everyone's Ball Game

#### Fine Players, Fine Fans

In a radical turn of the winning-iseverything spirit that marks and, some would say, mars American sports, few of the millions of Americans who watched Italy and Brazil play for the World Cup ritle on Sunday could have cared very much who won. Almost everywhere else in the world soccer may be a passion which, in the extreme, fans literally kill for - as Andres Escobar was killed in Colombia after becoming the goat of his team's loss. In the United States, however, soccer is still much more a middlelevel participatory and suburban sport than a mass urban spectator craze.

The bet made by those who brought the United States its first World Cup was that this climactic quadrennial event would ignite a fire and launch an American professional soccer league next year. It was a plausible risk to take. The United States is a great importer as well as exporter of the global popular culture, and its increasingly diverse population mix builds in a soccer constituency. Every the monthlong tourney, held on grass in nine cities, was sold out, despite an intensity of heat and humidity that sometimes slowed second-half play.

The matches went on long enough to let many fans catch on to the rules and to

#### Pasuckquakkohowog

Pasuckquakkohowog: "They gather to play ball with the foot." That is how Native Americans described the game they played with a stuffed deerskin. They were not the first, by far, but the simplicity of their game helps explain why soccer is today the world's most popular sport. Anyone and any number can play. All you need is a ball and an open field -- or a street, or a beach. It is, for the most part, a civil game. The rules are simple. The skills and stamina are demanding, and the artistry of the stars is wondrous.

The game has ancient and unclear roots. Was the first goal scored by a boy booting the skull of a Dane, as some Englishmen claim? Did it start with the Chinese, long before the birth of Christ?

the art of it all — the tap-dancing foot-work, the arcing air game, the architec-ture of offense, the drama of one-on-one, especially in the penalty kicks. People came to identify with some of the teams and players. The cork-popping elation that typically followed a "gooosaal!" was itself marvelous to behold, not to speak of the undisguised despair of the victims. The predicted and storied spectator violence of the European game never came to pass.

Yet it has to be left as doubtful that soccer is soon going to make it into the American big leagues. The sports-attending public, not to speak of the television advertisers, is more comfortable with a game of cyclical excitements and pauses. The American World Cup television announcers, by the way, were terrible, sub-stituting insider's jargon for helpful ex-planation when they offered even a word. The common complaint is that soccer

scoring is infrequent; it also happens that the rules can put a premium on scoring early and sitting on the lead, or on scoring little or not at all and pushing the game into a terminal shootout.

All the same, it was grand to play host to these gifted athletes and to the fans they brought with them. Who watching would deny that they gave their all? Oh, yes, Brazil won. Congratulations!

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

There is evidence of Greek and Roman origins, too. The modern game was shaped in the 19th century in English schools, refined in Scotland and spread through the empire. Wherever it is played, the game inspires deep passions, nowhere more than in Europe and Latin America. Europe's soccer clubs are the world's best, so outstanding that half of the men on Brazil's cup squad play regularly for those clubs.

Every fourth year they return to play for their homeland in the World Cup competition. The murder of a luckless Colombian star this month, after his team was eliminated, provided sad evidence of soccer pride gone fanatical. It was a tragic interruption to a global celebration of the game that belongs to everyone.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

#### Other Comment

#### A Symbol for a New Europe

Europe has just taken a big step. The composition of the July 14 parade [in Paris] demonstrated that we finally understand the value of symbols in the construction of the European Community. Through the Eurocorps, the different countries offered a striking display of their desire for union and of their capacity for action. God knows we regretted European impotence in Yugo-slavia, Africa and elsewhere. And we would be misguided today not to rejoice in this common effort. For if great wars bave become less of a threat, regional conflicts have been multiplying, and

they require interventions of every sort,

including humanitarian ones.

We should not stop here. If we are some day to reach our goal, we cannot count solely on the market, the economy, regulations. We must adopt a sweeping vision, and we need to become accustomed to looking at the world not just through our own eyes but through the perspectives and sensitivities of our part-ners. We need an ideal, we need hope, and not just fears and suspicions.

Symbols have again become essential as we build a new Europe. Without them, Europe will remain an abstraction rather than dwelling in our souls.

Ouest France (Rennes).



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### The Doors Are Opening To Germany

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — June's outcast, Germany, is July's favored child. Shunned a few weeks ago at the D-Day celebrations because of their history, Chancellor Helmut Kohl and his 80 million reunited countrymen have been feted since because of their future.

Fifty years after German troops were riven from France by an allied invasion, German troops again paraded down the Champs-Elysees, this time at the invitation of the French president in the July 14 Bastille Day celebration.

In Bonn and Berlin, Bill Clinton offered effusive praise for the Germans during a vigorous visit. And with the withdrawal of the last Russian soldier from German soil due by the end of August, continuing, positive attention to German rebuilding is ensured throughout the summer.

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More is at work here than applying salve in July to wounds opened in June. The wounds came from the allied decision not to invite German participation in the Normandy ceremonies. Many Germans felt that an opportunity to highlight Germany's break with the Nazy past had been missed.

But both the shunning and the honoring were appropriate responses by the outside world to Germany's fateful 60-year cycle of conquest, destruction and rebirth. The two-step response reminded Germany of the world's enormous stake in its past,

which cannot yet be fully forgotten or for-given, and in its future as a reborn nation. The key foreign figure in creating this sequence was, fittingly enough, President François Mitterrand, a veteran of World François Mitterrand, a veteran or World War II who escaped a German prisoner of war camp. He has neither forgotten nor forgiven, but he is realist enough to know that France's future depends on Germany channeling its enormous energy, ambition and strength into cooperating with Europe rather than dominating it.

Mr. Mitterrand turned aside Mr. Kohl's entreaties for an invitation to the Normandy landing anniversary, upsetting many German nationalists. And it was he who



overrode domestic protest and orchestrated the presence of German troops in France's national day parade on Thursday. The German military returned to the Champs-Elysées for the first time since World War II under cover of the Eurocorps, the symbolic grouping of French, German, Belgian and Spanish troops that the French see as a future integrated European military force.

But the Euro fig leaf did not hide the political symbolism of the return of German soldiers to Paris. It was Mr. Mitterrand's way of telling his countrymen that despite justified grievances about the past, they are better off trying to anchor Germa-ny more firmly in Western Europe rather than ignoring or baiting their powerful eastern neighbor.

Coincidentally, Germany's high court had ruled two days earlier that German troops can be sent into combat abroad despite the postwar anti-militarist constitution. Germany can now be expected to play a much larger role in world politics, a point that President Clinton underlined in his declarations.

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Mr. Clinton put beavy emphasis during his visit on his desire for an American-German partnership to speed the integra-tion of former Soviet satellites in Eastern and Central Europe into the West. At times, Mr. Clinton seemed to be offering Bonn a privileged position as America's leading partner in Europe.
July's developments underscore that

Germany enjoys options, and confronts choices, in deciding how to use the longterm strength that reunification provides despite the short-term costs of economic dislocation and fringe extremism in politics.

For many Germans, the most important

anniversary this summer is not D-Day or a Bastille Day that includes them, but July 20. That is the anniversary of the failed attempt by the German resistance to assassinate Hitler and end the war.

The resistance's action means that it is possible to speak of good Germans during

World War II without using irony. That the resistance existed means that the re-spect for democracy and tolerance institu-tionalized in the Federal Republic after the war has roots that reach back before the

defeat of the Nazis. July 20, then, is the right day for Germans to join the rest of the world in celebrating the defeat of Hitler, rather than June 6, the D-Day anniversary. It was on July 20, 1944, that German patriots finally made their contribution to a transformation of Germany that is not yet finished.

The historian Timothy Garton Ash re-cently described the Federal Republic as "a nation still preoccupied with becoming one nation ... a nation in its perennial condition of becoming." By following the disappointment of June with the promise of July, Mr. Mitterrand, Mr. Clinton and other leaders have outlined for Germany what the future can hold, even if the past is not erased.

The Washington Post.

### East Asia Needs Another Round of Economic Liberalization

By Vinod Thomas

WASHINGTON — Between now and the end of the century, East Asia is likely to contribute between a third and half of all new global trade, continuing the pattern of highly successful compattern of highly successful com-mercial expansion of the past decade. However, its opportunities to secure long-term market share while giving an added boost to the world economy depend on more than just continuing to do what has worked so well in the past. A new round of region-wide eco-

nomie liberalization is needed.

East Asia has more to gain from freer trade and investment n any other area. It also ha more to lose if the trade surpluses it has amassed, and the political sensitivites they arouse in the West, push industrialized nations toward any forms of import protection and discrimination.

East Asia has an unprecedented chance to spark further liberal-ization worldwide. It is too important a player in trade to remain on the sidelines as major policy initiatives are decided by the in-dustrialized countries. Trade imbalances between the region and those countries may well be unsustainable, economically and politically, in the medium term. East Asian economies received

nearly 13 percent of global flows of foreign direct investment in 1992, up from just over 3 percent in 1987. They have become such attractive destinations for investment that short-term balance of payments deficits arising from tariff cuts could be more than made up by long-term investment flows. Countries in the region have

already done much to open up trade and investment, but the strength of their trade and eco-nomic expansion gives them a chance to do more. A 50 percent East Asia would add additional impetus to about half the gains envisaged under the recently completed Uruguay Round of global trade negotiations. Unilateral liberalization by

East Asian economies would be beneficial, but greater gains would accrue from action across the region as a whole. This does not imply the formation of a preferential trading bloc.
Equally crucial, such concerted

action by East Asia would de-pend for its success on continued liberalization among the industrialized nations. East Asia and the rest of world would gain most from a broad-based reduction in protection levels in the region, applying to imports from all states whether in East Asia or not.

Why lower protection in East Asia when the region is doing so well? The case for additional liberalization is to prevent a problem before it arises. Action taken now would increase East Asia's trade and investment income. It

duced the fraction of its people in

absolute poverty from about a third to a tenth.

would reduce the region's politi-cally sensitive trade imbalances with the rest of the world. It would increase the market exposure and efficiency of important sectors of East Asia's economies. Can the region do it? Certainly. It has already quadrupled living standards in a generation and re-

by East Asia would be an act of enlightened self-interest. By ben-etting the rest of the world, it would encourage industrialized nations to support such an initiative by turning away from protec-tionism and inward orientation.

The writer, chief economist for East Asia and the Pacific Region of the World Bank in Washington, hird to a tenth.

Concerted trade liberalization

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### A Good President in the Philippines

MANILA — Fidel Ramos is probably the best president the Philippines has had since Ramon Magsaysay, the great re-former who was killed in a plane crash in 1957. Like John Kennedy, Mr. Magsaysay died in office, too soon to be tested as Mr. Ra-

The aura of hope that sur-rounds Mr. Ramos is not as brillonger and be more substantial.

about the economic and political outlook is more upbeat than it By Robert Elegant

mos is now being tested.

liant as the spell Mr. Magsaysay wove, but his influence may last

The mood in the Philippines

has been for many years. Not since the surge of optimism that greeted the manguration in 1972 of Ferdinand Marcos, who later became the epitome of the corrupt dictator, have prospects appeared as promising.

Mr. Ramos has defused, al-

though not solved, armed insurgency. He did so largely by invitng representatives of the two rebellious groups, the Marxistoriented New People's Army and the Muslim Moro National Libcration Front, to talk about their needs. With the collapse of communism in many parts of the world, external support and ideo-logical inspiration for leftist revo-Intionaries in the Philippines

have largely dried up.

The president has calmed the armed forces, which staged several abortive coups against his predecessor, Corazon Aquino, There he had a distinct advantage, since he is a former general, chief of staff and secretary of defense.

He is far more adept at human relations than Mrs. Aquino, who was propelled into the presidency by the assassination of her husband, a strong opponent of the Marcos dictatorship. Mr. Ramos has shown that he is ready to recognize his mistakes and reverse course rather than stubbornly dig in his heels, as Mrs. Aquino did. He has established a better work-ing relationship with Congress. His main goal must be conditions for a better life in a more

stable society. He can count on a population that has a fairly high level of education, although one that has been exploited for generations by a selfish ruling class.

A Protestant in a largely Roman Catholic nation, Mr. Ramos is at odds with Cardinal Jaime Sin, the senior prelate in the country, who has been a kingmaker in the past. They disagree on the crucial issue of birth control in a country whose population is increasing by 2.4 percent a year. Such rapid growth slows the pace of economic recovery and makes alleviation of poverty more difficult.

Nonetheless, the economy is now growing solidly. A chronic power shortage seems to have been solved. Business confidence is rising. The government's program of progressive deregulation and market opening is forcing companies to increase efficiency, improve products and services. and lower costs. Foreign invest-

ment is increasing

Enormous problems remain.

The foreign debt, a legacy of the Marcos years, stands at nearly \$34 billion. Unemployment, underemployment, official corruption and environmental blight are widespread. Land reform, blocked in the past by a politically powerful landed class, still has to be carried through.

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#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

#### 1894: Sugar Seandal NEW YORK - The Herald's

Correspondent at Washington telegraphs that a sensation has been caused in the capital by the publication that certain Senators speculated in sugar, notwithstanding their denials, and that a photographic copy of their orders to brokers is said to be in existence. The committee appointed to investigate the sugar scandals were about to report, exonerating the Senators of the imputation of trading in sugar stock. They are now debating whether or not to reopen the investigation.

#### 1919: Polish Reconquest

WARSAW - Poland has now come to take the re-conquest of East Galicia as an accomplished fact. No fears are held that the Ukramians will attempt another offensive; firstly, because it is be-

lieved that they have no longer, the necessary forces with which to operate, and, secondly, because, with the consent of the Allies to the use of Haller's army upon the Galician front, the Polish strength is immeasurably greater there than it has ever been.

#### 1944: Saint-Lô Liberated WITH AMERICAN FORCES.

IN FRANCE — [From our New York edition:] Saint-Lô, important highway hub and the third largest city in the Normandy beachhead area, fell to American troops this afternoon [July 18]. The battered town was occupied when tired soldiers drove the last mile and stormed through piles of rubble and debris in the face of heavy mortar and machine-gun fire. The final drive toward the town was three-pronged, with troops moving in from the north, the northeast, and the east.

### Wrong, and They Don't Apologize

BOSTON — When Robert B. Fiske Jr., the independent counsel on Whitewater, reported that there was nothing to the horror stories about the death of Vincent Foster, that Mr. Foster had indeed committed suicide, I expected that those who had spread the stories would be

called to account. Pat Robertson, for example, leader of the Christian Coalition, had luridly suggested that Mr. Foster, deputy White House counsel, was murdered and the crime was covered up by the Clinton administration.

Rush Limbaugh, the talk show host, broadcast a report that Mr. Foster died in an administration "safe house" and his body was then spirited to the park where it was found.

After the Fiske report, did Mr. Robertson or Mr. Limbaugh apologize for having spread ugly fantasies? Not that I know of. Nor, to my knowledge, did others who had invented or spread conspiratorial theories

about Mr. Foster's death. More important, did the press hold the spreaders of dirt to account? Did reporters telephone Pat Robertson or Rush Limbaugh and ask whether they would now withdraw their charges? Not to my knowledge.

The point is not a narrow one. This episode is indicative of inadequate press attention to a real center of power in America, the talk show hosts and political preachers who carry their right-wing assaults on Bill Clinton so far that they breed a corrupting cynicism about the very idea of government.

That is Mr. Limbaugh's game: to throw dirt on government and anyone who believes By Anthony Lewis

that society needs government. In his hateful talk about President and Mrs. Clinton and others in office, he is really trying to destroy public faith in America's institutions. And so are the others like him.

The essentially anarchist na-ture of the right-wing talkers was inadvertently confirmed the other day in an article defending them. It was an opinion piece in The New York Times by Michael Harrison (IHT, July 12), editor of the magazine Talkers. "We are hearing the infant voice of a movement that is disgusted with the kind of president the system continues to serve up," he wrote. Down with the system.

"The voice of talk radio wants to put an end to ruling-class aristocracy." Aristocracy like the son of a poor Arkansas widow.

The right-wing voices have made significant headway in their campaign to destroy President Clinton. Those who survey public opinion are startled, these days, by the extent to which the larger effort to turn Americans against the whole idea of government has succeeded. A dangerous cynicism is spreading.

The American press regards it as a vital function to scrutinize power, question it, hold it ac-countable. That is its proper explanation for giving occupants of the White House a hard time.

But power does not reside only in the White House or government anymore. Those who seek to destroy faith in the political system have considerable power now, power demanding

attention. Indeed, it is especially important to watch, and hold accountable, those who seek power without responsibility.

Recent events do not give us much confidence that the press will do the job. Even some respectable press institutions have played the game of savaging the Clinton White House and then failing to admit their mistakes. Time magazine wrote that

telephone calls by George Ste-

phanopoulos over Whitewater

brought up "the dread words ob-

struction of justice." Mr. Fiske found no grounds for such a prosecution, as virtually any law-yer would have predicted. Did Time apologize? Not at all. A spokesman said the magazine had merely printed what an anonymous official speculated. That's journalism? Just print

any absurdity, exercising no

judgment? The Wall Street Journal editorial page made Mr. Foster a target in 1993 as a way of smearing Mr. Clinton. When it could not get a photograph of Mr. Foster, it took out its petty re-venge in an editorial entitled Who is Vincent Foster?" There were two further nasty references to him before he committed suicide — leaving a note that mentioned his distress at

the Journal editorials. After the Fiske report the Journal wrote in its own defense that "depression is a disease." not caused by press criticism. True. But depression might conceivably be intensified by cruel irresponsible attacks. In any event, an honorable editor might express regret for printing meanminded attacks on someone who

turned out to have been ill. The New York Times.

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#### OPINION

### Helping East Europe Will Help All Europe

By Jeane Kirkpatrick

NEW YORK — Today the most important questions in the Western world are being decided in and around the European Union. A new politics is emerging with the concept of Europe at its center. So far there is no agreement about what it is or where its borders are located. But a vitally impor-

tant debate is under way.
"I have always found the word 'Europe' in the mouths of those politicians who wanted from other powers something they did not dare to demand in their own name," Otto von Bismarck observed with a clarity easily mistaken for cynicism.
What does Helmut Kohl not

dare to demand in Germany's own name when he advocates a European Union almost as large as the continent in which Germany remains the largest state? As Mr. Kohl recently explained to the French daily Le Figaro: "The Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary will necessarily be-come members of the European Union one day. And for us Ger-mans it is clear that the eastern border of Germany should not remain the border of the European Union, because Poland

must be part of Europe."
"But," he added, "Russia will not be able to join the Enropean Union." Russia would not fit. It is too big. What Mr. Kohl hopes to

achieve through "Europe," but does not dare to demand, is, I believe, this: an expanded; inte-grated Europe in which Germa-ny is the largest state, a Europe on the Maastricht model with reformed political institutions in which a united Germany will have the larger voice.

This Europe - affluent, industrial, democratic - will be a superpower in its own right, with its own institutions in

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which to make its own decisions. Germany cannot demand to be a superpower, able to domi-nate its neighbors. But Mr. Kohl, who has shrewdly steered Germany through the process of reunification, can work for a "Europe" that is both "wider". and "deeper" and that gives Germany the dominant role it

To build this Europe, Germany needs reliable allies in the internal politics of the EU. France has been the principal ally, "our most important part-ner to the west," Mr. Kohl says. But that is not the status France, frameworks to support the demdemands in Europe's name.

ed, there was a nearly perfect coincidence of French and German goals. France looked to "Europe" to restore its status as a great power in a world of "superpowers." It looked to the French-German relationship to dominate Europe and to liberate it from U.S. hegemony.

That vision — of a large France at the center of a small European Community — was realistic for as long as the Cold War lasted. Within the institutions of the EC, France worked to preserve that small Europe, and it is still working to block or to slow expansion to the east. With EU membership changing — four new members have already been accepted the French must protect their position in the emerging bal-ance of political power in the Europe through which they plan to project French power. So, if there is to be expansion

eastward, France will support the inclusion of Russia, understanding, as French statesmen have always understood, that geography makes France and Russia natural allies in a Eu-

rope with a powerful center. France and Germany became so accustomed to having their way in Europe that they were shocked when John Major used a veto to block election of for president of the European Commission, to succeed Jacques Delors. They seem to have ignored British views.

What the British ask in the

name of "Europe" is a large, diverse, decentralized area as free as possible of obstacles to the movement of goods and cap-ital and ideas. To this end, Britain has urged expension and in-clusion of the democracies of Central and Eastern Europe including Russia. The British goal, Mr. Major decided, requires that the next European Commission president be someone who will respect the rules and members' rights, and is not committed to a closed Europe.

What of the rest of Eastern Europe, and of Russia? What demands does the word "Europe" cloak? In the name of Europe they

demand to be part of an entity

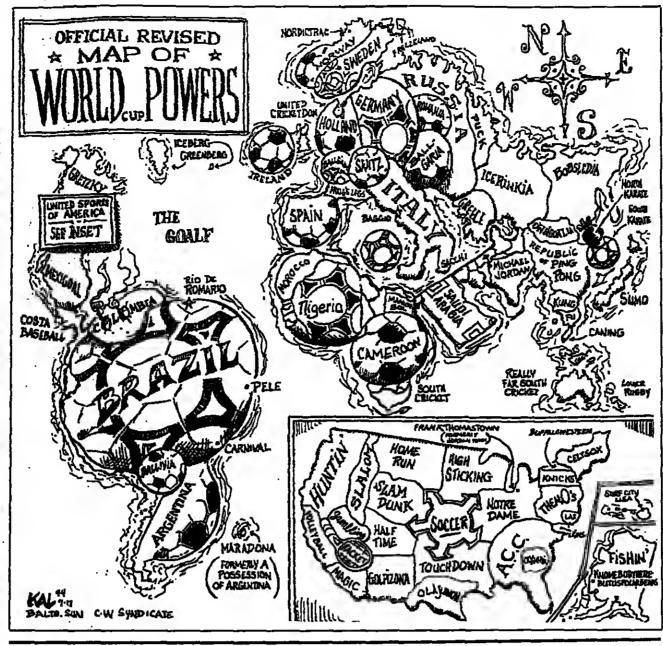
whatever entity there is —
stretching from the Atlantic to the Urals, or, as Bill Clinton put it last week, from Portugal to Russia. They want to be part of its markets, its political and military institutions, its life.

And so they apply for member-ship and they insist.
They do not want "associate status." They do not desire merely to be "partners." Rus-sia, Boris Yeltsin has said, wants to be a full member of the European Union.

Bill Clinton spoke eloquently to the vision of a united Europe of independent nations living in peace and prosperity. But although it has a stake, the United States has no vote in the institutions that decide who is eligible for membership in Europe. Still, the task of building ocratic institutions and free

But it appeared that America's European friends dismissed Mr. Chinton's arguments as one more example of well-meaning American moralism.

He should act now to develop American initiatives to reinforce freedom in Eastern Europe as once the United States reinforced freedom in Western Europe. Economic and security relationships between the United States and the countries of Central and Eastern Europe would almost surely help Ameri-ca's West European friends ex-pand their definitions and institutions. It is worth a try. C Los Angeles Tones Syndicate.



#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Philippines: Look Again

Regarding "In the Philippines, an Asian Success Story With a Difference" (Opinion, June 16) by Jaime Zobel de Ayala:

The article cited above gives one side of the Philippines economic miracle. As an international trade union organization, could we offer another?

Last month, at a UN conference in Geneva, we issued a report on child labor abuses, An example that particularly horrified people was that of 4. Fight" (Letters, July 15) from year-old children sewing underwear in the Philippines for a German multinational company, which sells most of its and war—and I have taught clothes in Europe. Recent fig-ures indicate that nearly 5 mil-

in the Philippines. The report notes that Philipand only if there is no interferis enforced.

The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, of continued negotiations. which I am assistant general Mr. Piller says: "Roosevelt secretary, is campaigning for a shocked Churchill in Casablan-"social clause" to be included in ca in 1943 by unilaterally deprohibition on the use of child

those in industrialized couneconomie advancement.

success story, surely it can end this abhorrent practice. EDDY LAURUSSEN.

Brussels. How Wars Are Made

Regarding "Why Americans Fight" (Letters, July 15) from

U.S. history for half a century. He says that Americans "must lion children aged 5 to 14 work see war as the absolute last recourse." Some people — in-cluding over one-third of the pine law forbids the employ-ment of children below the age of 15 except under the responsi-bility of parents or guardians, 1812. Certainly President James clare war against Britain in Polk, in 1846, provoked the war ence with schooling. But our against Mexico: He sent troops report, carried out by research into a disputed zone with the into a disputed zone with the ers in the field, shows that there danger that they would be fired are breaches in the way the law upon. In 1898, President William McKinley got his war with Spain despite the possibility of

international trading agree- claring that the Allies would acments which, among other cept only ... unconditional things, would include the Inter-surrender." Most historians disnational Labor Organization agree with this. In his classic state, he will tell Israelis only prohibition on the use of child "Franklin D. Roosevelt and what he thinks we should hear.

labor. The confederation urges American Foreign Policy," all governments, including Robert Dallek writes: "Roosevelt's spontaneity and Churthe PLO leader's call for a holy tries, to ensure that children are chill's surprise are difficult to war against Jews, or that will not exploited in the rush for credit. Roosevelt had with him at the press conference the If the Philippines is really a statement on unconditional surrender contained in the draft press release and notes precisely foretelling what he would say

to the reporters." BERNARD SINSHEIMER

Arafat: Word and Deed

Regarding "Joint Rule Could Make Jerusalem a City of Peace" (Opinion, June 29) by Gershon Baskin: When Yasser Arafat visited

France late last year, he was interviewed at length on the radio. Asked about the final ed to a metaphor usual posed not to trespass or else ... He said: "If General Arab red line, a Muslim red line and a Christian red line." PHILIPPE DAUMAS.

Montpellier, France. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel has decided that no ern well. This is the right time matter what Yasser Arafat says for the right leader to do the about Jerusalem being the capital of a soon-to-be Palestinian given to hero worship.

But what in the world can be tell us that will make us forget erase the memories of the Johannesburg speech?

TOBY WILLIG. Jerusalem.

Regarding the editorial "Arafat's Identity Crisis" (May 26):

the minds of many Palestinians: Can Yasser Arafat, freedom fighter, transform himself into a statesman capable of upholding the Palestinian-Israeli peace process and promoting its cause? Neither Mr. Arafat's words nor his deeds since he courageously signed the Declaration of Principles reassure one that he is up to the challenge.

Much of the problem stems status of Jerusalem, he resort- from the whimsical manner in which he haphazardly deals plied to Lebanon, that of the with issues, big and small, and "red line" that Syria is sup- the erratic way the PLO functions under his sole command, So much is at stake for the Rabin has one red line about Palestinians at this stage of Jerusalem, I have four red their liberation that they simply lines: a Palestinian red line, an cannot afford to let their leader misplay his band. It is critically important for Mr. Arafat to prove to the world his trustworthiness and demonstrate to the Palestinians his ability to gov-

S. A. SHERIF.

### The Reporters I Know Don't Wear High Heels

By Anna Quindlen

of the comic strip "Brenda Starr." Brenda was beautiful, a world traveler with masses of wavy red hair and stars where her pupils ought to be.

She had a mysterious boyfriend with a black eye patch named Basil St. John. and she

#### MEANWHILE

never wore the same gown twice. Brenda was a reporter. This was my introduction to the newspaper business.

Well, my own hair stayed brown, reporter or no reporter. And impressionable young people are still being fooled by popular culture into thinking that being a newspaper reporter is a glamorous occupation, instead of a business in which the best you can hope for is steady work and all the stationery supplies you can fit in your purse. No teenager running a school newspaper should look at Nick Nolte and Julia Roberts, playing competing reporters in the new movie "I Love

Trouble," and think to herself, now, that's what f want to do. Contrary to what you would imagine from this movie, news-paper reporting is not a cross between espionage and dating. and we female reporters rarely wear four-inch heels to a train wreck. After almost 25 years in this business I can tell you that:

 Never have 1 seen a newspaper columnist parked outside this building enthusiastically kissing a blonde in a red con-vertible. I have, however, seen Russell Baker looking fondly at his wife.

• Never have I fallen from a catwalk under sniper fire and managed to grab the all-important microfilm right before I plunged to what looks like certain death. I have more than once gotten nipped by the closing doors of the subway; I've been known to lose my notes.

• Never has the subject of a A key question has been on story tried to mow me down in a death car outside a steakhouse, I was once spoken to sternly about a dinner bill on my expense account, but the encounter never included guns. This would not be worth

mentioning if many impressionable young people did not get their first impressions of the

NEW YORK — When I was newspaper business from the a little girl I was enamored movies. A generation ago the movie was "All the President's Men." It did not make reporting look unreasonably glamorous, except to the extent that putting Robert Redford in a role could make being a Trape

pist monk look glamorous. But it did give the distinct impression that if you worked bard and were a tenacious roporter, you could bring down the American president.

Thus it was a rude awakening when many of its young aficionados found themselves covering proposals for solid waste treatment plants at zon-

ing board meetings.

The best movie ever made about being a newspaper report-er was in 1940: "His Girl Friday" captures the kind of newsrooms we worked in before cuhicles and computers. The re-porters yell "Gimme the desk" into the phone. When they file, one says a murderer put up a desperate struggle and another says he offered no resistance. It is not an action movie unless you count the smart mouths on Hildy Johnson and Walter Burns, played by Rosalind Russell and Cary Grant. "A journalist," Hildy says to

no one in particular in the crowded press room at the criminal courts building, where the guys complain that the noise of the gallows being tested is inter-fering with their work. "Now what does that mean? Peeking through keyholes? Chasing after fire engines? Waking people up in the middle of the night to ask them if Hitler's going to start another war?"

The whole point of the movie is that Hildy is going to leave the newsroom for the straight life and is lured into one last assignment. By the end of the day the husiness, exhilarating and te-dious, crummy and wonderful, has sucked her back in.

"Because of you I remember how much I loved newspapering," says Nick Nolte, staring

into Julia Roberts' eyes.

Because of news, Hildy remembers. When she bears bells she leaps to her feet, and not because of some big blond guv. "I just thought it might be a good fire, that's all," she says. No espionage. No car chases. Just a good fire.

The New York Times.

#### **CHESS**

By Robert Byrne HE winners of the quarter-

I finals to select a world title challenger for Garry Kasparov, are Gata Kamsky, Viswanathan Anand, Nigel Short and Michael Adams. In Game 2 Kamsky beat Vla-

dimir Kranmik.

In the Nimzo-Indian Varia-tion of the English Opening, socalled because of the development with 3...Bb4, Kramnik chose to open the center with 7 d4 cd 8 Nd4 rather than play the compact 7 d3 or 7 h3. After 8...Qe7, he chose the challeng-ing 9 Nc2 Bc3 10 bc, which saddled him with doubled, isolated e pawns in return for his gaining the bishop-pair.

After 13 Nd4, the threat was 14 Nb5 and 13...a6 could have been met by 14 c5!? Thus, Kamsky played 13...Nd4, but Kramnik eschewed 14 Od4. which would have pursued the strategy of attacking the d6 pawn, in favor of sacrificing a pawn with 14 cd Qc4.

On 23...ed, recapturing with 24 ed? would have been a blunder losing to 24...Reg. But 24 e5 d4 25 Qg5 saw Kamsky initiate one excellent defensive-andcounterattacking move after another. First came 25...Re2! with the point that 26 Re2? gang warfare in Washington.

Except the main character end-Moreover, a rook move such

as 26 Rcl would have let Kamsky chop down the white attack with 26...Re5. Accord-28...Rg1! 29 Kh3 (29 Kg1? Qd1 30 Kg2 falls into 30...Qf1 mate)

After 30 Kh4 g6 31 Qb6. Kamsky had prepared the ex-



Position after 27 f3

cellent resource, 31...d3! 32 K14 Of4! Kramnik could not recapture with 33 gf? hecause 33...Rg4 34 Kh3 Rg5 35 Kh4 Rh5 wins outright. And after 33 Qf4 Rh1! 34 g4 (34 Kg5? h6! 35 Kh6 Rh2 36 Kg5 ends in 36...Rh5 mate), Kamsky had won the time for 34...h6.

On 35 Kh3 g5 36 Qd4 Rg1 37 f3. Kamsky struck the decisive blow with 37...d2! Against 38 Qg1, 38...Ba4! would have forced a new queen. Kramnik captured with 38 Qd2, but after ... Bb5, with the annihilating 39...Bf1 looming, he gave up.

ENGLISH OPENING 9 Nez 10 bc 11 Bn3 12 Rb1 13 Nd4 14 cd 15 Qd2 16 Rb3 17 e4 18 Ael 18 Rt3

#### **BOOKS**

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CANNIBALS: The End of the Old South Pacific

By Michael Krieger. 291 pages. \$23. Ecco Press. Reviewed by Ilene Barth

WENTY years ago, I sailed I the South Pacific on copra boats and tramped deep into the bush, on a quest much like that of journalist Michael Krieger. The search was for outposts of Polynesian paradise and remnants of Melanesian cannibal tribes. It was a romantic errand, undertaken both too late and too early.

Through Krieger's eyes, I detect changes. When Krieger tracks down Chief Tofor, whom he calls "the last great sorcerer" of Vanuatu (formerly the New Hebrides), he finds him on Ambryn Island in a blue T-shirt and denim shorts. I recall enwing on Amhryn a

Namba bow-and-arrow hunter. clad only in a penis gourd. Krieger's conversational ap-

proach makes the unfamiliar accessible, and there are fascinating stops throughout his narrative. But his chaotic is-land-hopping lacks sensible ge-ography and may leave some followers at sea. He also fails to describe the South Pacific's two

major population groups.

Polynesians, graceful people of probably Asian origin, are scattered throughout the Pacific. Their home islands include the Tahitian, Cook, Samoan and Tongan groups, as well as Tuvahi, once the Ellice Islands. Krieger reports interestingly from the Cooks and Tuvalu. But he squanders space when he investigates a preacher on the

island of Palmerston. The Melanesians are a darkskinned, curly haired people whose territory strings east of Asia to Fin: Krieger concentrates on Melanesian tribes with hardscrabble lives in the Solomon and Vanuatu groups.

New Guinea. Many tribes, devoted to warfare, sometimes garnished with cannibalism, were unknown to outsiders un-

fear to tread, missionaries al- harmony are unable to distinready are. Gospel-carrying ad-guish the authentic from the im-venturers have been threading ported of their heritage. their vines around the lagoons since London Missionary Society agents arrived on Tahiti in 1797. They and their spiritual But his description of the perprogeny have often been adept sisting cargo cults of Mclanesia at choking off the flowering of could be better informed. indigenous culture. Today, several denominations keep up the dons have appropriated materi-good work, winning adherents all goods that tribal gods intend by providing rudimentary edu- for the cultists and their kin.

cation and medical attention.

Curiously, for someone seek- Solomon hills who adhere to aning cannibals, he ignores Papua costor worship now refer to their forefathers as "devils." About being too early: One

implicit lesson here is that the contemporary collector of South til their highland villages were noticed by World War II fliers.

About being too late: Krieger to root. Some locals who belearns that where most tourists moan the passing of communal

Krieger does a fair job of illu-minating the diversity of experience of South Pacific citizens.

Cultists believe that rich na-Their hopes of securing these Krieger notes that even where goods have rested on incantaharsh tribal manners and envi-tion and the copying of white its of his warrior youth. That ronments have kept the mission- men's rituals, such as hacking informant is now dead. Krieger aries at bay, pagan tribeamen out airstrips. Krieger doesn't also gives the family history of define themselves in contrast to credit cultists who believe that one of his guides, a saga of the Christians clamoring for the denizens of industrialized coded insults to young men's their souls. Some Kwaios in the nations possess magic beyond honor, revenue and contract

 Waiter Schweppe, instruc tor at the Goethe Institute, Berlin, is reading "Swing Hammer Swing!" by Jeff Torrington. "This book is set in the rundown Gorbals area of Glasgow.

WHAT THEY RE READING

It appeals to me because of its fresh style and gallows humor. In a rather hilarious way it de-scribes the decline of a traditional manufacturing center." (Michael Kallenbach, IHT)

production facilities and Christienity.

And how about those cannibals? Krieger repeats a conver-sation he had with one connoisseur of human flesh, an ancient, hind Solomon islander recalling the dangers and dining hab-



ed up as a rival tribe's snack decades ago.

"Conversations With the Cannibals" doesn't deliver bril-Cannibals' doesn't deliver bril-liantly on the promise of its title, yet its food for thought is Marsky came after him with more enticing.

Ilene Barth, an assistant professor of journalism at New York Bd7. University, wrote this for The Washington Post

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By Raymond Bonner New York Times Service

Rwandan Patriotic Front announced a cease-fire and deeven with the truce, representatives of relief agencies said they were facing another surge of refugees.

loternational relief agencies had been pleading with the rebels to declare a cease-fire for more than a week, but the reacoon to the Patriotic Front's announcement was subdued

among relief workers here. The cease-fire came only afler the front's military operanons had forced more than a million Rwandans to flee into this region of Zaire, and relief agencies are exhausted in trying to cope. No one expects the refugees to begin returning to Rwanda anytime soon. Most of them are Hutu and they are convinced that if they go back they will be killed by the new Tutsi-dominated government.

And another refugee crisis is looming. In the last 24 hours, more than 100,000 refugees have fled into the Zairean town of Bukavu, about 110 kilometers (70 miles) south of Goma. Another half a million Rwandans may be on the move toward Bukavu, relief officials in

Goma said Monday evening. 'We do not need another exodus into the Bukavu area; we could not handle that," said Brian Atwood, director of the U.S. Agency for International Development, who made a quick visit to Goma on Mooday. He said that Bukavu, which is smaller and less developed than Goma, would be even less able to handle a huge number of refugees.

"It remains to be seen if we can handle this," Mr. Atwood said about the situation to

"It is the most extraordinary thing I think I have ever seen in my life," said Mr. Atwood, who is President Bill Clinton's coordinator for international disaster assistance. He made the comment at the French airport base in Goma. The road past the airport was clogged with refugees trying to move north to where the relief agencies hope to establish a camp.

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"This is 1.2 million people \*\* looking desperately for food, GOMA, Zaire — The rebel for medicine, for care," he said. For the first time in many days, the border crossing at clared victory Monday. But Goma was quiet. Fields near the border, which had been jammed with refugees, were empty. It was the silence of

> In a field just east of the border, down by the lake, there was a large area of debris: straw mats, gourds, an open umbrella, suitcases, elothes. There were several dead goats. And 15 dead humans, most of them children.

> Several were naked. They were clustered together. They had been trampled to death, trapped between the lake and a high wall that protected an ex-pensive lakeside house.

> Charles Cyirabo, 68, found his 12-year-old graodson among the dead. As he picked through the rubble, Mr. Cyir-abo, who was barefoot and wearing a long coat that was torn and tattered, said he was looking for a good shirt to wear.

> He also picked out a hoe. He would use it to dig a grave for his grandson, he said. A few weeks ago, when the rebels at-tacked his village, 18 members of his extended family were killed, Mr. Cyirabo said.

> Up the road, the bodies of at least 100 refugees were found on the Zairean side of the border. Many had been trampled to death when the thud of mortars and firefights caused panic among thousands of refugees who were packed into a small area. Next to one rock wall was the body of a woman on a straw mat, where she had apparently been resting before the surge.

On the other side of the wall were the bodies of at least 35 refugees, many of them chil-dren, who had been camped in a garden with a large cactus and mango tree when a mortar round caught them.

Martin Rwagasore held his 5mooth-old daughter against his chest, wrapped in a goat skin. Her mother was among the dead under the tree, where he had found his daughter.

"I don't know what I am going to do," he said, as he tried to convince Red Cross workers to take the little girl.



A Bosnian Serb woman, with her mother, Monday at the Sarajevo grave of her brother, who was killed in 1993 by a shell. They were burying her father, who was killed Saturday.

### **BOSNIA:** Serbs Appear Ready to Reject Partition Plan

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Parliament was called into special session to consider the first Bosnian plan to be devised by five major powers — the United States, Russia, France, Britain and Germany — for the divi-sion of Bosnia, giving the Mus-lim-Croatian federation 51 percent and the Bosnian Serbs' own self-declared republic the remainder.

The partition plan would reone-third of the territory they

now hold, which covers 72 percent of the entire country.

President Slobodan Milose-

vic of Serbia has made it clear Bosnian Serbs vote yes. He also through the state-controlled has not come to Pale to speak to media in Belgrade that he wants the Bosnian Serbian Parliament his Bosnian Serbian allies to ac- as he did in May last year. On cept the plan so that United that occasion, the Bosnian Nations sanctions will be eased Serbs flatly rejected his advice on his economically pressed na- and voted down another peace tion. He reportedly held a series plan, leading to the tightening of secret meetings with Mr. Karadzic over the past two quire the Serbs to give up about weeks in Belgrade to try to coovince him to back the plan.

of sanctions on Serbia. The five sponsoring powers of the latest partition plan have threatened both to tighten sanctions further on Serbia and lift the arms embargo oo the Muslim-Croatian federation if the Bosnian Serbs again reject it. But the threat appears to have had little impact on the calcula-

But Mr. Milosevie has care-

fully avoided making any pob-

lie statements insisting that the

tions of the Serbs here. Mr. Karadzic told his Parliament that the current would mean that "over 400,000 Serbs" would have to be resettled elsewhere and that the Bosnian Serbs' self-proclaimed "Republic of Srpska" would have no access to the sea and would have to be merged into a "joint state with our enemy."

Mr. Karadzic was brutally frank in warning his Parliament that rejection of the partition would lead to even greater international isolation for the Serbs, probable NATO attacks and more war and hardship.

The Bosnian Serbian leader even suggested that the next phase of the fighting could go beyond Bosnia's borders and involve a fight to the finish against the Muslim-Croatian

federation. "We have to be ready to wage intensive warfare on a daily basis until the defeat of our enemy or our own defeat and expulsion from these lands," he said. "If our enemy wins, they will not be merciful and generous because they are uncompromising and ready to exterminate

Despite Mr. Karadzic's dire warnings, the mood among deputies seemed overwhelmingly in favor of voting oo to the partition plan. However, several speakers suggested that any decision should be postponed until the details of the entire and get the economy out of its peace package were made available, making clear whether the creases in the sales tax. self-proclaimed Bosnian Serbian republic would be allowed to much of this ambitious agenda form a federation with Serbia.

Corp., said in Beijing that the two companies were "actively preparing" to conduct seismic surveys in the Wan an Bei block before starting surveys in the Wan an Bei block before starting dispatch of a drilling rig into the Wan an Bei exploratory drilling for oil and gas.

Beijing was evidently trying "everything short of shooting" to force the Vietnamese rig to leave in the South China Sea.

Southeast Asian Nations.

be discussed at the forum.

Face-Off in South China Sea

China Blocks Supplies for Vietnamese Oil Rig

By Michael Richardson

SINGAPORE - Chinese warships are block-

ading a Vietnamese oil drilling rig to stop it working in an area of the South China Sea C

claimed by both countries, oil company execu-

They said that the two Chinese ships, thought to be either frigates or destroyers, had recently

turned back at least one Vietnamese vessel ai-

turned back at least one victualized vesses ar-tempting to resupply the rig, apparently without any shots being fired.

The confrontation represents a serious escala-tion of a potentially explosive dispute between Victuam and China, which fought a brief but

bloody naval skirmish in a nearby part of the

"Two Chinese ships are stopping the drilling activities of a Vietnamese oil rig in the Wan an

Bei block," the Foreign Ministry in Beijing said in a written statement to Bloomberg Business

The Chinese statement said that the drilling

was a "grave" encroachment on China's sover-

eignty and maritime interests, and that if it did

not stop, the Vietnamese side would be responsi-

The 25,000 square kilometer (9,500 square mile) Wan'an Bei block, which is about 400 kilometers (250 miles) off southern Vietnam, was

awarded by China to Crestone Energy Corp., a.

small American oil company based in Denver, in

A spokesman for Crestone's Chinese partner,

the state-owned China National Offshore Oil

ble for "the ensuing consequences."

JAPAN:

Policy Speech

Continued from Page 1

and characterized the U.S.-Ja-

pan security treaty as the cen-terpiece of Japan's foreign poli-

cy.

He also apparently dropped his party's long-standing claim

that the mere existence of Ja-

pan's military forces violated

the constitution, which prohib-

its the use of force to resolve

Mr. Murayama said he sup-ported a military with "the nec-essary minimum defense capa-

But Mr. Murayama indicated he had little interest in pursuing

a permanent seat on the United

Nations Security Council, at

least in the near term. Both the

Foreign Ministry and the previ-

ous government had strongly

pushed Japan's candidacy. Mr.

Murayama said further discus-sions would be necessary before Japan could make such a leap-

powerful country but to be a

caring country," he said.
That policy is a throwback to

the Cold War, when Japan kept a low profile in foreign affairs

while it focused on building its

economy. It is, however, a poli-

cy that is out of step with grow-

tribute more.

ations.

ing demands that Japan con-

For instance, the U.S. Senate

just passed a resolution calling

on Japan to make troops avail-

able for UN peacekeeping oper-

Germany, which for decades refused to allow its military to

take part in such overseas oper-

ations, recently took a step to-

ward a greater role when its top

court ruled that the constitution

did not prohibit participation.

course Japan is unlikely to take,

at least as long as this govern-

On another issue, Mr. Murayama described a slight shift

from the previous government's position. The government had

urged big income tax cuts to

stimulate consumption and lift

the economy from a long recession. However, it also had fa-

voted a large increase in a na-

tional sales tax to make up for

Some economists, and the United States government, op-

pose the sales tax increase, say-

ing it would counter whatever

positive benefits the income tax

cuts would bring. Mr. Mur-

ayama hinted the government

would enact the income tax cuts

It remains to be seen how

ment holds power.

the lost revenue.

That now appears to be a

We should strive not to be a

international disputes.

bility

South China Sea in 1988.

tives and industry analysts said Monday.

the Wan an Bei block, said A. J. Troner, Singapore: burean chief of Petroleum Intelligence Weekly.

China claims control over most of the South

China Sea even though the southern portions of its claim are well over 1,000 kilometers from

Haman Island, the closest uncontested Chinese

Part of the Chinese claim includes the Spratly

Islands to the east of the Wan'an Bei block. Beijing's claim to these islands and surrounding

waters are contested, in full or in part, by Viel-

In April, when Vietnam awarded a promising

oil concession in an area just west of the Wan an

Bei block to a group of American and Japanese

oil companies led by Mobil Corp. of the Umited State, China condemned it as illegal. Hanoi asserts that both the Mobil and Wan'an

Bei blocks are on Vicinam's continental shelf.

Analysts said that the confrontation between

Hanoi and Beijing threatened to cause tension at the first formal meeting at ministerial level in Bangkok on Monday of a special forum to discuss security problems in the Asia-Pacific region.

The 18 countries due to attend include Vice.

The 18 countries due to attend include Viet-

nam and China as well as the United States.

Japan and the members of the Association of

The Malaysian foreign minister, Abdullah Badawi, said on Sunday that the stability of the

South China Sea was among the main issues to

However, Mark J. Valencia, a senior fellow in

maritime law and international relations at the East-West Center in Hawaii, said that Vietnam's

nam, Taiwan, Malaysia, the Philippines and

By Andrew Pollack

New York Timer Service
SEOUL — Reports are circulating here that North Korea's government, fearing unrest, is dipping into military rice reserves to relieve the hunger of people who have flocked to the capital to mourn the nation's late leader, Kim Il Sung.

Like many reports from the secretive Communist country, this one is difficult to verify. But it reflects what analysts say will be the reality facing Kim Il Sung's son and expected successor, Kim Jong II: The way to his people's hearts will oot be through his father's revolutionary slogans but through their stomachs.

Saving North Korea's plummeting economy will be the biggest challenge confronting Kim Jong II. If he fails, some analysis say, the 52-year-old "Dear Leader" will probably be stripped of office, and the country might collapse, forcing a

the country together through charisms and credentials as a nationalist hero.

ts in South Korea. People are said to be eating only two meals a day, electricity supply is sporty, and factories are shut for long periods for lack of work or feel. Saving the economy carries its own risks. Many experts say

that Mr. Kim will have to open the virtually scaled country to

and political liberalization, which helped bring down Communist governments in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. He is expected instead to attempt what China has been trying to do, with mixed success — free up the economy while keeping strict political control.

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said Mooday that the North Korean leadership transition appeared to be on track despite the two-day delay of Kim II Sung's funeral, Reuters reported from Washington.

lem, where he was on a Middle East peace mission.

He said U.S. information was "not perfect" on what was going on as Kim Jong II sought to consolidate his grip on

was "going forward," based on indications that U.S. North Korean talks, suspended because of Kim Il Sung's death, may resume "within weeks."

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### It's a Boy! It's a Record: Italian Gives Birth at 62

ROME —A 62-year-old woman became the world's oldest mother Monday when she gave birth to a boy, a Rome clinic Rosanna Della Corte, who had a donor's fertilized eggs

implanted in her uterus, gave birth under the supervision of Dr. Severino Antinori, who last year helped a 59-year-old British woman give birth to twins. Staff members at Dr. Antinon's clinic said Mrs. Della Corte, who lives in the central Italian town of Canino, and her child were both well.

So-called "granny pregnancies" have unleashed an ethical storm in Roman Catholic Italy, where a lack of relevant legislation has made the country a magnet for post-menopausal women who want to have children. A governmentappointed committee recommended last month that scientifically assisted pregnancies should be limited to couples of child-bearing age.

Dr. Antinori used the sperm of Mrs. Della Corte's husband, who is in his 60s, to fertilize the anonymous donor's eggs. She has said she wanted a baby following the death in 1991 of her 17-year-old only child, Riccardo, in a traffic accident.

### In North Korea, Food or Unrest

hasty and discuptive reunification with the richer South.

"He has no choice but to open the economy," said Park Jin, associate fellow at the Center for North Korean Economic Studies, which is affiliated with the South Korean govern-

Kim Jong II, he said, lacks the ability his father had to hold

"The only way out for him is to feed people more and make them warmer," Mr. Park said. North Korea's economic output has been shrinking about 5 percent a year for four consecutive years, according to ana-

more foreign investment and trade. Increasing contact with the outside world might lead North Koreans to realize how poor and repressed they are, increasing discontent. Mr. Kim is expected to try to avoid simultaneous economic

■ Orderly Transition Seen

"We think that the transition seems to be orderly." Mr. Christopher said in a U.S. television interview from Jerusa-

But he said that the best information was that the transition

### ITALY: Leader Retreats on Decree

Continued from Page 1 civil liberties" was quickly branded as a whitewash for political and business cronies be-

longing to the old guard.

The threat of pretrial custody has been one of the most effective tools used by Milan's inves-tigating judges. in the massive, bribery investigation that has emissibed about 4,000 members of Italy's political and business

The judges claim that putting bribery suspects in jail for up to timee months prevents them from fleeing the country or tampering with evidence. It also has encouraged the kind of active cooperation the investigators admit is necessary if they hope to reach the bottom of the scandal.

But the decree, sprung when the attention of the country was riveted on Italy's semifinal soccer match in the World Cup, curtails use of preventive detention to exceptional cases, such as terrorism, murder or Malinrelated crimes.

The judges threatened to resign when they realized that bribery suspects would have to be released. That threat, in turn, triggered a cascade of telegrams, faxes and other signs of public support against any old fascist guard within the Naweakening of resolve in bringing corrupt politicians to jus-

Even if a compromise is even

Berlusconi's miscalculation has dented his vaunted reputation as a master salesman with an acute sense of what the public CZZVCS.

Recently, Mr. Berlusconi has

lashed out against the magistrates with some of his harshest criticism, accusing them of pur-suing the limelight instead of

"Some of these judges have become stars," he said. They are disappointed when they don't show up on television. And what is an easier way to attract attention than to throw people in jail?"

The unfavorable public response to the decree sent Mr. Berlusconi's coalition partners scurrying for cover. Roberto Maron, deputy prime minister and a leading member of the Northern League, said he was duped into signing the bill. And the National Alliance leader, Gianfranco Fini, one of Mr. Berlusconi's strongest allies, in-sisted the bill was "intolerable."

"The telephones at my party headquarters have not stopped tinging," he told the newspaper La Repubblica, "and I under-stand why people are calling to voice their outrage."

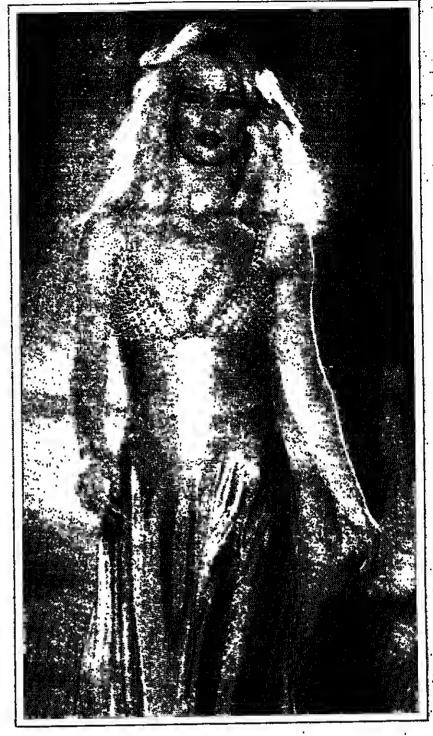
Pino Ranti, a member of the nonal Alliance, put the dilemma more bluntly: "Millions of Italians did not vote for us so we could absolve thieves and is tually struck in Parliament, Mr. them out of jail."

## Stars Steal the Show From Versace's Cyberspace Couture









Versace's fake snake dress, at left, and metal-mesh worn by Claudia Schiffer, at right. Center: Bulmain's sweater and ball skirt. Inset, from left, Prince, Marisa Berenson, Sylvester Stallone and Janice Dickinson at Versace party.

By Suzy Menkes

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ARIS — Forget meteors hitting Jupiter, this was serious star-gazing.
On the soundtrack was
"The Most Beautiful Girl in the World." On the runway, a gal-axy of twinkling mini-dresses in cyber-space colors. And centerfront, glass cane poised, sat the enigmatic rock star himself, the formerly named Prince. He did not move a powdered face musele, even when the model Brandy breathed deeply in her short shiny dress and revealed more than Gianni Versace had in-

Versace's show Sunday sent Paris couture off to a rollicking

#### PARIS FASHION

start. But the best fun was off the runway, what with Sylvester Stallone applauding Janice Dickinson, the mother of his love ehild, as her plunge-back slinky dress revealed a posterior

eleavage.

At the after-show party at the Ritz, Roman Polanski and wife, Emmanuelle, Stephanie Powers (in vintage Zandra Rhodes dress) and the supermodels in watched Italy's next-to-nothing watched Italy's titanic soccer struggle with Brazil on two giant screens. Then there was the other battle — of the bosoms: Claudia Schiffer with two scoops of flesh above a strawberry ice-cream dress vs. the curves of Elizabeth Hurley, partner of Hugh Grant. The boyish star of "Four Weddings and a Funeral" made a heroic job of keeping his eyes on the football and all fronts.

"I never realized fashion shows could be so exciting," he

Well, it was not quite so good on stage, although Versace tried hard to heat up the fashion tem-perature with snakeskin-pat-terned leather suits, puffed skirts that flashed a bared midriff below corset bustiers and high-gloss fabrics, including plastic-mirror dresses.

Given his fashion predilections and the current vogue for glamour, Versace inevitably fell for glam rock dressing. Yet this was a quiet show, by his standards, with not much that hadn't been seen before - cither on his own runways or on those of Paco Rabanne and Courreges in those endlessly re-

gurgitated 1960s.
The shimmering fabrics spoke of the new millennium and Versace called the metallic materials techno conture. But why does a forward thinking designer have to refer back to (ashion's futuristic past? His take on 1960s space age was daring: a tiny dress of glearning multi-colored plastic squares and the chain mail dresses he

pioneered slinking out in pearl-

But there were an awful lot of ors. And of the curvy A-line coats. And of the sleek tuxedo suits in sugared almond shades with skirts approaching the

So the mind would wander from shearling boleros in chalky pastels to those weird symbols on Prince's droopy shirt. From the vertiginous lime green strappy sandals and matching fish-net hose, to de-signers Claude Montana and Azzedine AlaJa in the audience. From glittering mermaid sheaths to whether Christy and Linda had piled on the curves to match the former model Elle McPherson in her movie "Si-

Whoops! Here's the wedding dress shaped like an upturned hily. Well, full marks to Versace for showmanship, even if the stars outshone the clothes. Does couture need all the razzmatazz, the front rows pad-

ded with celebrities and the party people to justify its exis-tence? Oscar de la Renta does not think so. For the show he sent out for Balmain on Monday was just about nice clothes for the same chic ladies - Susan Gutfreund, Jayne Wrightsman, Grace, Lady Dudley—that he had been wining and dining with the previous eve-

ning. Now they all have closets stuffed with suits. So voilà The come out of the down wave Dress — small and neat at the from the over-expansive 1980s. Dress - small and neat at the shoulders, or maybe snipped right down to a jumper dress worn over a lacey blonse and under a swingy coat. But they already have coats? Aha, but not in mohair or boucle to give a bit of fun and fluff to the basic a on or run and run to the basic jacket, the plain straight skirt and that old standby: the sweater and ball skirt.

De la Renta had tried (but not too hard) to make use of those coutnre skills, with draped velvet here or a waft of feathers on familiar lingerie lace. And why not make those useful chiffon cardigans (last

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them. And of the short flirty future (least of all the chignon talking about for his Chanel dresses in metallic Cadillac colup), hut at least Balmain of-

> and now. The French are all too eager to institutionalize fashion. The town hall busts of Inès de la Fressange as Marianne — which caused her bustup with Karl Lagerfeld — have just been unveiled. Oliver Lapidus made his show on Monday a homage to the silk weavers of

Lyon. And at Jean-Louis Scherrer, Erik Mortensen showed conture in the Grand Tradition. You know the score: fur (deeppiled on to coats); feathers (on tottering bats and appliqued on to gowns); embroidery on fab-rics that were stiff enough al-ready. He "modernized" the look (but didn't) with thigh-high boots, ball dresses arching up to show a leg and leather

It looks as though the Paris couture is reflecting the wider business world, with the big grys — Chanel, the Dior group and Yves Saint Laurent — pulling ahead of the rest. Dior couture was up 14 percent in 1993, and in spite of the recession, Bernard Arnault reported at last month's shareholders' meeting group that sales of his LVMH group (Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton) have gained 22 percent in 1994.

High fashion seems to have

seen at Valentino) to team with In aesthetic terms, that means a flirty cocktail dresses? There return to structure and tech-was nothing here for fashion's nique that Karl Lagerfeld is

Yet smaller couture houses fered rich ladies clothes for here are rethinking for the 1990s. with Per Spook closing couture after his American hackers pulled out, and Lanvin putting its ateliers on hold. Guy Laroche, like Scherrer, is trying a "demi" conture, an upscale line at more affordable prices.

But there is a new generation fascinated by conture crafts-manship. The Italian Maurizio Galante put his art and soul into the show he presented Sunday: patchworks of different fabrics, dresses with origami cut-outs and couture sweaters that have been around since Schiaparelli yet never quite

More significant than any-thing on the couture runways is the turbulence in the fragrance market. Analysts expect a brilliant future for Guerlain, the sleeping beauty perfume house Arnault acquired in May. But they also ask whether the future of fragrance marketing still lies with couture.

After successes for ready-to-wear designers Jean-Paul Gaul-tier, Issey Miyake and Thierry Mugler, there are launehes this fall for Comme des Garçons and Yohji Yamamoto. Signifieantly, the Yamamoto fragrance is being handled by Jean Patou - a venerable house that feels it no longer needs the ex-pensive luxury of haute cou-

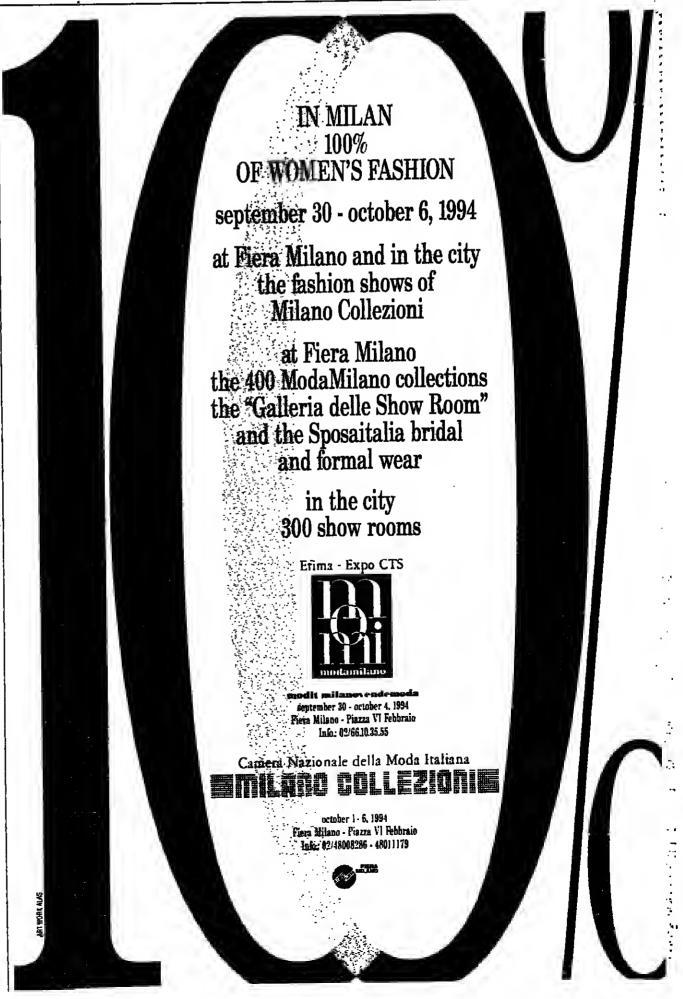
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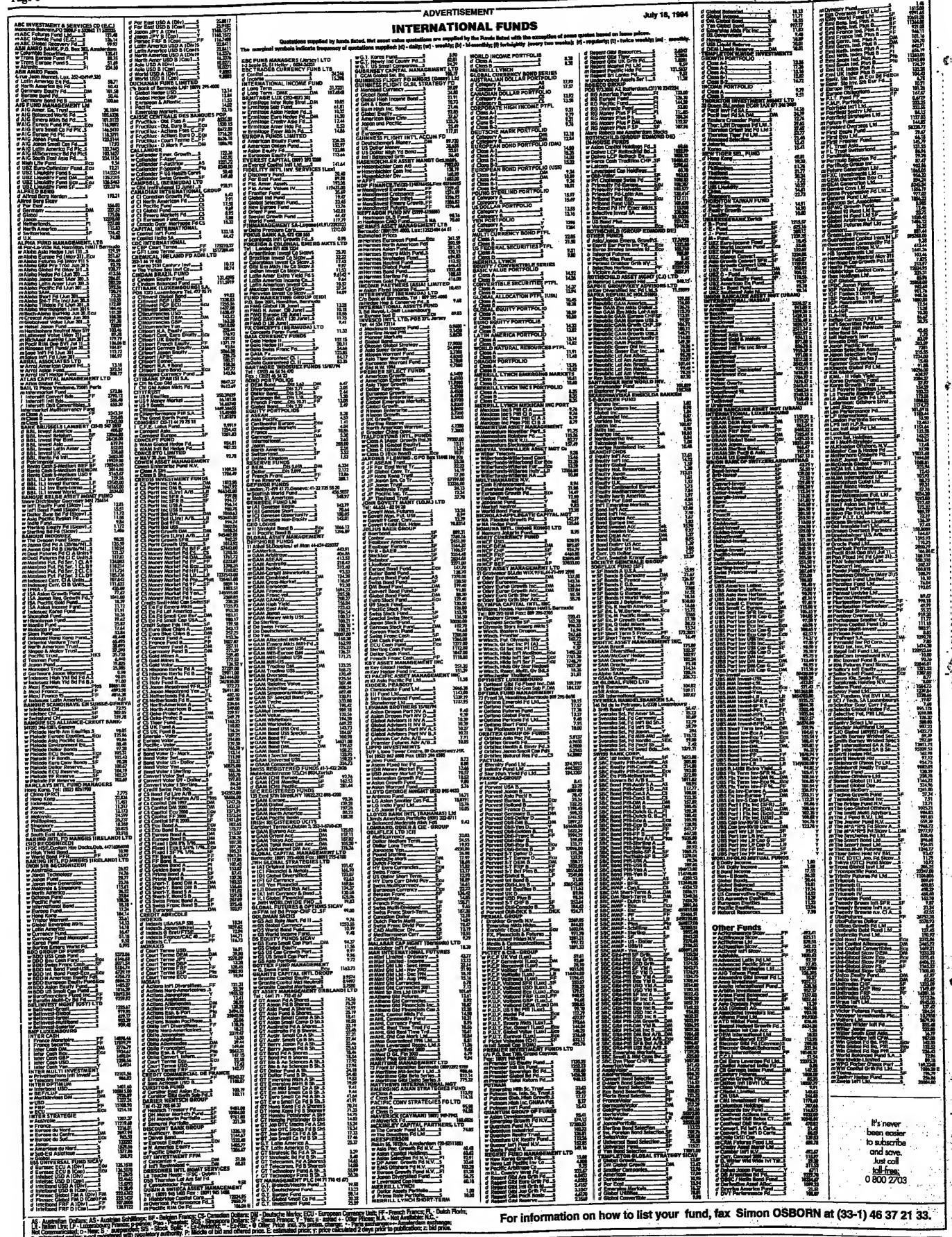


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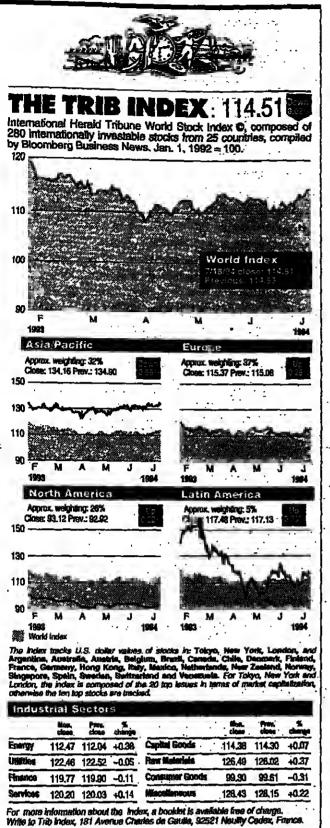
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### China Reins In Growth

#### Statistics Indicate A 'Soft Landing'

By Kevin Murphy not Hereld Trib HONG KONG — Inflation remains perilously high, but a soft landing for China's fastgrowth economy now appears likely, analysts said Monday in assessing official statistics for the first half of 1994.

A year after it announced strict measures to rein in a runaway economy and speculative investment, China said growth fell in the first six months of 1994 to 11.6 percent from last year's overall 13.4 percent.

Nine percent growth for 1994 is Beijing's official target as it balances the urgent oeed to fight inflation against the challenge of maintaining growth and creating jobs for millions of workers in its unprofitable state industrial sector.

"Starting from July last year, by most measures the economy on a downward trend," said Vincent Chan, senior economist at Peregrine Brokerage Ltd. There are small nps and downs, but a softer landing than 1989 is coming."

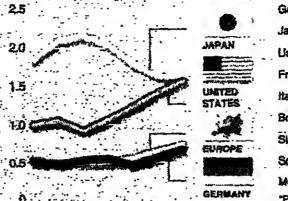
Alarmed by a loss of central control over credit and the prospect of destabilizing price increases, Deputy Prime Minis-ter Zhu Rongji in July 1993 began a nationwide austerity drive that put China's ability to manage a market-oriented economy to a critical test.

In Beijing's previous bont with overheating, it slammed the brakes hard on imports and domestic credit and stopped new investment and economic growth dead in their tracks. The abrupt changes helped stir widespread social upheaval and led in part to the student and worker protests in 1989 in Tiananmen Square and their violent

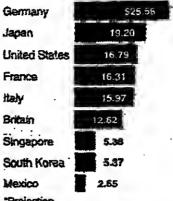
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#### Europe's Productivity Improves, but Still Lags

Productivity, measured by corporate earnings per worker before depreciation, interest and taxes, indexed to U.S. workers' output in 1989.



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### Reality Dawns for Europe

By Richard W. Stevenson New York Times Service

AUGSBURG, Germany — Signs of change abound at Siemens Nixdorf's personal computer factory here.

The German technology company slashed its number of production workers to 1,000 from 1,300 this year even as it added a third shift. For the first time, pay is being linked to meeting quality and volume goals. Engineers, who once focused on designing the most so-phisticated products possible, now concen-trate on making the assembly process more

For anyone at the plant who missed the message that Siemens Nixdorf Informationssysteme AG is getting serious about cutting costs, improving productivity and abandoning the traditional German way of doing things as it struggles with worldwide competition, there is also this: The employee cafeteria no longer serves beer.

We have had to re-engineer more or less the whole company," said Hans-Dieter Wiedig, the chief executive of Siemens Nixdorf, which has been suffering heavy losses but hopes to break even next year. "In this kind of competitive environment, the only constant is change,

The words may be familiar, even backneyed, to executives in most industries in the United States, who came to the same realiza-See REALITY, Page 11

### **Contour Bottles** Help Shape Up Results at Coke

Co. said Monday that world- cent in the Northeast Europewide marketing initiatives, oew Middle East Group and 7 peradvertising campaigns and the cent in the Pacific Group, inreintroduction of the contour cluding a 25 percent increase in Coke bottle belped lift second- China, quarter profit by 12 percent.

For the three months ended June 30, the world's largest soft- ter, and sales in India belped drink company earned \$758 million, up from \$678 million in the year-earlier period. Reveoue rose 11 percent, to \$4.34 billion from \$3.90 billion.

"What could have been a difficult year for our business is proving to be a year of very rewarding unit volume and carnings results," said Ruberto C. Goizueta, the chairman. He said the company showed "strong momentum which portends a robust second half of 1994 and beyond."

U.S. sales increased 6 percent, driven mainly by the success of the contour bottle. New products also gave sales

a lift, including launches of Minute Maid Juices to Gn, PowerAde and Nestea Gallon shipments of syrups were up 9 percent in the quarter.

as the company launched several oew products.

Compiled by Our Steff From Despatches International sales growth ATLANTA — Coca-Cola was paced by gains of 32 per-

Strong sales in Eastern Europe, up 29 percent in the quaroffset a skimpy I percent volume gain in Japan, the company said.

Coke's Africa Group reported no change in unit case volume and a 7 percent decrease in gallnn shipments because of shaky economies and social unrest in several key markets.

The company's Latin America group posted a 9 percent secood-quarter volume gain, as 12 percent unit-case sales gains in Chile and Mexico offset a 12 percent decline in Brazil.

The company's food division posted a 2 percent increase in sales. Coke has invested heavily in emerging markets, promotions and new contoured plastic containers.

Coca-Cola closed at \$42.25 on the New York Stock Ex-Overseas sales rose 7 percent change · Monday, down 12.5

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### Time Warner's Loss Narrows and Revenue Rises

NEW YORK - Time Warner Inc. paced by stronger results in its four copyright businesses, Mooday reported a narrowing of its second-quarter loss

and a rise in revenue. The entertainment and media giant's

share, a year earlier, as revenue rose 7.8 percent, to \$3.7 billion from \$3.43 billion. Wall Street had been expecting the company to post a loss of 8 cents a share, based on the average estimate of 15 analysts polled by Zacks Investment Re-

search. The company's shares were up 75 cents Monday at \$36.75 in New York

Stock Exchange trading.

Time Warner's chairman and chief executive officer, Gerald Levin, said the New York-based company's publishing, music, filmed entertainment and Home net loss shrank to \$20 million, or 6 cents a Box Office cable television network all share, from \$80 million, or 22 cents a had record operating cash flow for the quarter. Publishing logged the strongest quarterly gains.

also benefited from a balance-sheet restructuring last year. Time Warner's cable business, hurt by

Mr. Levin said the quarter's result.

last year, recorded a 5.2 percent drop in operating cash flow to \$256 million.

Analysts reacted positively to the in-crease in revenue. The key thing was that all their content businesses were at record levels" of cash flow, said James Goss of the brokerage coocern Duff &

For the first six months. Time Warner had a loss of \$71 million, or 20 cents a share, compared with a loss of \$95 million, or 55 cents a share. Revenue increased to \$7.2 billion from \$6.7 billion.

two rounds of cable regulation over the McGraw-Hill Posts Profit Rise

McGraw-Hill Inc. said second-quarter profit jumped 11 percent, primarily because of a sharp increase in revenue from school book publishing, the Associated Press reported.

The publishing and educational and information systems company carned \$48 million, or 97 cents a share, compared with \$43.2 million, or 38 cents a share, in the like period of 1993. Reveoue jumped 32 percent, to \$648.3 millioo from \$490.9 million.

#### Thinking Ahead /Commentary

### Politics Will Test the Strong Franc

By Reginald Dale

ASHINGTON - Last sum: mer's currency crisis fea-tured the French franc in the lead role. Now it is the dollar that has been under attack in the foreign exchange markets while the franc looks

That stability may not last. There will soon be new tests for the franc - and perhaps for the newfound independence of the Bank of France.

But for now, France's strong-france policy is looking much healthier than many of its critics would have guessed 12 months ago.

After the franc's convulsions devastat-

ed the European exchange-rate mechanism last summer, there were plenty of voices urging the government to slash interest rates, and cut the currency loose, to revive the flagging French economy.

But the government held on, Now, it has been rewarded by a better-than-ex-

pected recovery, resurgent business con-fidence, bright trade prospects and one of most impressive inflation performances in Europe. Indeed, foreign investors were promi-nent in French financial markets on

Monday, when a stable inflation outlook helped push bond prices sharply higher. In the stock market, the CAC-40 index rose 2.6 percent, its best one-day gain in 18 months. Despite the dramatic loosening of ex-change-rate discipline in the ERM, Paris has managed to maintain the franc's val-

ne against the Deutsche mark and keep its interest-rate policy in step with that of the Bundesbank. By sticking to its guns, France has ensured that its main European policy objective — economic and monetary union — is still alive. The question is whether this rosy pic-

ture can survive the pressures of the campaign for next spring's presidential election, in which France's horrifyingly high unemployment rate is expected to be by far the biggest issue.

Already, Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist

contender, has made the heretical statement that the fight against unemploy-

It would be a mistake for Mr. Balladur to change course just to take a pro-employment stance.

ment should take precedence over every other consideration, including the exchange rate.

That is a harbinger of what could be coming as the campaign gathers pace, particularly if Prime Minister Edouard Balladur, the current front-runner, begins to alip against Mr. Chirac in the polls.

Mr. Balladur wants to maintain the strong-franc policy. But he tends to bend like a reed under pressure, and the finan-cial markets already detect a whiff of policy change in the air. They suspect Mr. Balladur might be tempted to relax

monetary and fiscal discipline to assert his pro-employment credentials. That would be a mistake. There is scant evidence it would make a big dent in unemployment, much of which is caused by structural problems - such as the high cost and low mobility of labor -that Mr. Balladur has conspicuously failed to tackle. On the contrary, he has exacerbated the problem by abandoning modest efforts at structural reform — involving Air France and his youth wage plan, for in-stance — as soon as the going got rough. Mr. Balladur's supporters say this is

wise, that reforms cannot be achieved in an atmosphere of social unrest. They say be will be tough and get the job dane once the election is over. That remains to be seen, but it would seen to be out of character. If he does oot

spell out what he plans to do before the election, he will have no mandate after it. The risk is that he will try to cut corners by seeking to reflate the still-underperforming economy, putting new pressure on the franc. That would present the central bank with the first real test of its independence, particularly if it

came when Germany was tightening. Many people say the central bank would let the franc slip rather than go for a big rise in interest rates. But the independent Bank of France has to start earning credibility; the worst thing it could do would be to cave in to electoral pressures.

It would be a shame to sacrifice the long-term gains of the strong-franc poli-cy just to get Mr. Balladur — or anyone else — into the presidential palace.

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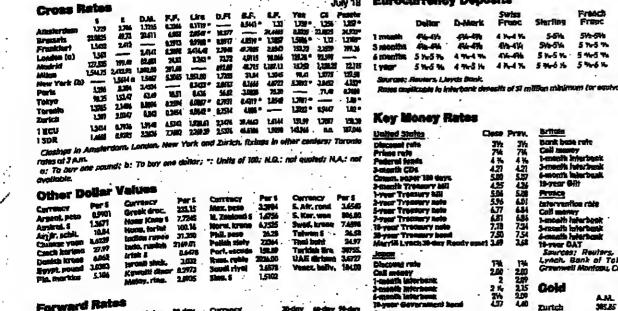
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### **CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES**



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July 18

**Dow Jones Averages** 

# Technology Shares Underpin Stocks

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches technology issues and a rebound in Treasury bond prices be a mere slap on the wrist for amid a stabilizing dollar encouraged small gains in the stock market Monday.

The Dow Jones industrial av-3,755.43, while advancing is-

#### U.S. Stocks

sues led declining ones by an 11-to-10 ratio on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was

The price of the benchmark 30-year Treasury hond rose 13/32 point, to 85 9/32, taking the yield to 7.50 percent, down from 7.54 percent Friday.

Trading in most markets was quiet as investors waited for Wednesday, when Alan Green-span, the chairman of the Fed-eral Reserve Board, addresses Congress. Traders will focus on Mr. Greenspan's remarks for clues to when the central bank

might next adjust interest rates. Microsoft led a rally in technology shares, gaining 1 11/16 to 50 5/16 after settling antitrust allegations with the U.S. Justice Department and the Eu-ronean Union. While Microsoft

NEW YORK — Strength in change its software licensing procedures, analysts said the settlement appeared to the company.

Retailers gained on expectations for sales gains. Wal-Mart rose % to 27%, Kmart rose % to erage closed up 1.62 points at 16%, and Dayton-Hudson added 114 to 82%.

Telephone stocks weakened after US West was removed from Goldman Sachs' list of recommended stocks; the regional telecommunications company agreed to buy two Atlanta-area cable television systems for \$1.2 billion. U S West finished down 1% at 40%.

Although a host of other companies reported earnings that either were in line with or exceeded analysts' expectations, many stocks had already risen in anticipation of good second-quarter earnings, traders said. Some investors are concerned that earnings peaked in the second quarter and will

slow later in the year. This may be the last quarter of favorable earnings comparisons," said David Bostian, market strategist at Herzog Heine &

(Bloomberg, AP)

### **Dollar Gains on Yen But Slips Against Mark**

gained against the yen Monday but slipped against the Deut- unit appeared to have peaked in sche mark in light trading as the short term and would prob-investors awaited more clues on ably trade between 100 and 110 the near-term direction of U.S. to the dollar.

interest rates.
The dollar finished in New York at 98.410 yen, up from marks for Italian lire and other 97.815 yen Friday, and at European currencies amid con-

#### Foreign Exchange

1.5467 DM, down from 1.5536 DM. The dollar slipped to 5.3065 French francs from 5.3265 and to 1.3045 Swiss francs from 1.3081. The pound slipped to \$1.5614 from \$1,5618.

Everything is on hold before Tuesday's U.S. trade data and Wednesday's testimony before the Senate Banking Committee by the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, Alan Greenspan, one dealer said. Mr. Greenspan is expected to provide important clues on the timing of interest-rate changes.

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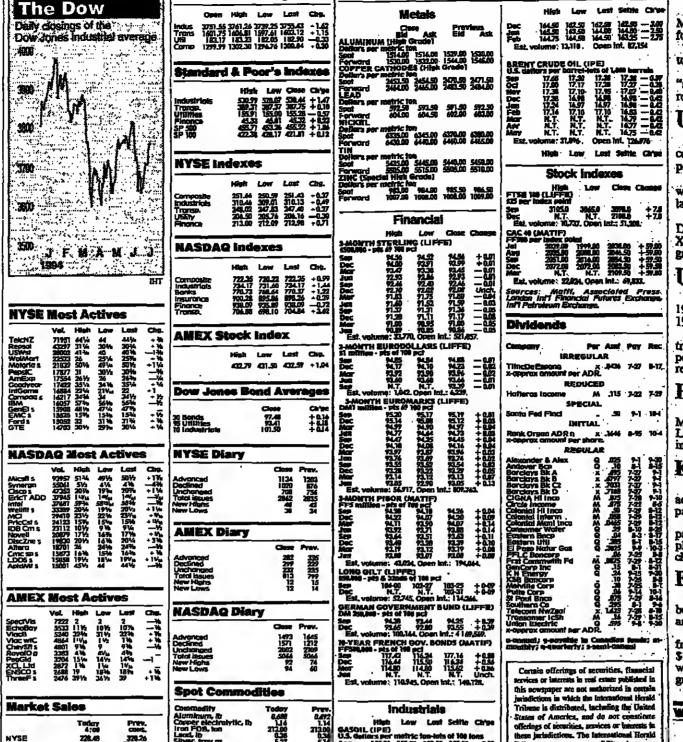
NEW YORK — The dollar influential economist C. Fred Bergsten, who said the Japanese

> The dollar weakened against the mark as traders bought marks for Italian lire and other cern about the future of ftaly's new coalition government.

Meanwhile, in Washington, the director of the International Monetary Fund, Michel Camdessus, said the weak dollar would not undercut the recoveries in Europe and Japan because those upswings were relatively slow and broad-based.

Mr. Camdessus said the weakness of the dollar was limited to its relationship to the yen and that on a trade-weighted basis, "the dollar is in the middle of its range of movement." The IMF chief said that if the United States wanted to preserve its economic growth it would have to reduce its budget deficit.

(Bloomberg, AFX)



### Lac Calls Royal Offer an Attempt to Rob Shareholders

TORONTO -- Lac Minerals Ltd. said Monday its board has rejected a \$2.1 bil-lion Canadian dollar (\$1.5 billion) cash

and share offer from Royal Oak Mines Inc. "The Royal Oak offer is a blatant attempt to rob Lac's shareholders of the true value of their investment," said James Pitblado, a director of Lac.

Analysts have said Lac Minerals could pay a special cash dividend to deplete its treasury in order to persuade Royal Oak to give up its bid. Royal Oak has said it wants to use the cash in Lac's treasury, which

quarter, to help repay a loan used to fi-nance the acquisition.

Under terms of the offer made on July 12. Royal Oak is offering to pay 3.75 dollars in cash and 1.75 shares of Royal Oak for each Lac share outstanding, valuing the bid at 14.25 dollars a share. Royal Oak also is giving Lac sharehold-

ers the option of acquiring 2.416 shares of Royal Oak for each Lac share.

Lac's stock traded at 13 dollars late Monday, up 12.5 cents. Shares in Royal Oak, which rose as

totaled \$462 million at the end of the first much as 11 percent in the wake of its bid, were unchanged at 6 dollars on the Toron-to Stock Exchange late Monday.

#### ■ Bid for Burns Fry

Seeking to create Canada's largest financial services firm, Bank of Montreal Mon-day offered to purchase the Burns Fry Ltd. brokerage bouse for cash and stock worth up to 403 million Canadian dollars (\$292 million), Reuters reported from Toronto.

BankAmerica Corp., which owns 26 percent of Burns Fry, agreed to sell its stake to Bank of Montreal. Employees own the rest.

### U.S./AT THE CLOSE

#### Chase Manhattan Net Jumps 32%

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Chase Manhattan Corp. said Monday second-quarter earnings rose 32 percent as lower reserves for bad loans and higher fee revenue offset falling trading revenue. America's sixth-largest banking company said net income rose to \$307 million from \$233 million in the 1993 quarter.

Trading revenue fell to \$151 million from \$187 million under "adverse market conditions" the bank said. Net interest transport.

"adverse market conditions," the bank said. Net interest revenue rose to \$924 million from \$902 million.

### Upjohn's Second-Quarter Profit Falls

KALAMAZOO, Michigan (AP) — Upjohn Co., the pharmacentical concern, said Monday that second-quarter profit fell 4 percent, largely because of competition from generic drugs.

Earnings were \$120.1 million, or 67 cents a share, compared with \$125.3 million, or 70 cents a share, during the same period last year. Sales fell to \$891 million from \$894.6 million.

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Shipments of Upjohn's new drugs, including the contraceptive Depo-Provera, helped offset plunging sales of anti-anxiety drug Xanax, sleep medication Halcion and hair-loss treatment Rogaine, the company said.

#### U.S. Salary Increases at Record Low

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Pay increases for employees in 1994 and 1995 will be the lowest since salary tracking began in 1975, the Conference Board said Monday.

The survey, which covers 515 companies representing all industries, found the average nonexecutive employee would receive 4 percent more this year and the same next year. Executives will receive 4.2 percent this year and 4.3 percent next year.

#### **Bristol-Myers Offers UPSA Buyout**

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. said Monday it had offered to buy out the other shareholders of Laboratories UPSA, a French pharmaceutical company specializing in pain medications and effervescent technology.

#### Kimberly-Clark Makes Acquisition

DALLAS (AP) — Kimberly-Clark Corp. said Monday it had acquired the feminine-care products business of a German company from Procter & Gamble Co. for about \$123 million.

The deal, involving the German VP-Schickedanz AG, includes patents and inventories, the Camelia and Tampona brands, a plant in Forchheim, Germany, and feminine care products machines at a plant in Mayen, Germany.

#### For the Record

Compaq Computer Corp. and Oracle Systems Corp. set up a business unit to develop software for computer servers to store and distribute database information. (Knight-Ridder) Intel Corp. said second-quarter net income rose to \$1.46 a share from \$1.30 a share a year earlier, in line with analysts' forecasts of \$1.45 a share. The company said Pentium processor shipments were up substantially in the second quarter, but it expected lower

(Reuters)

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#### gross margins to continue. **Weekend Box Office**

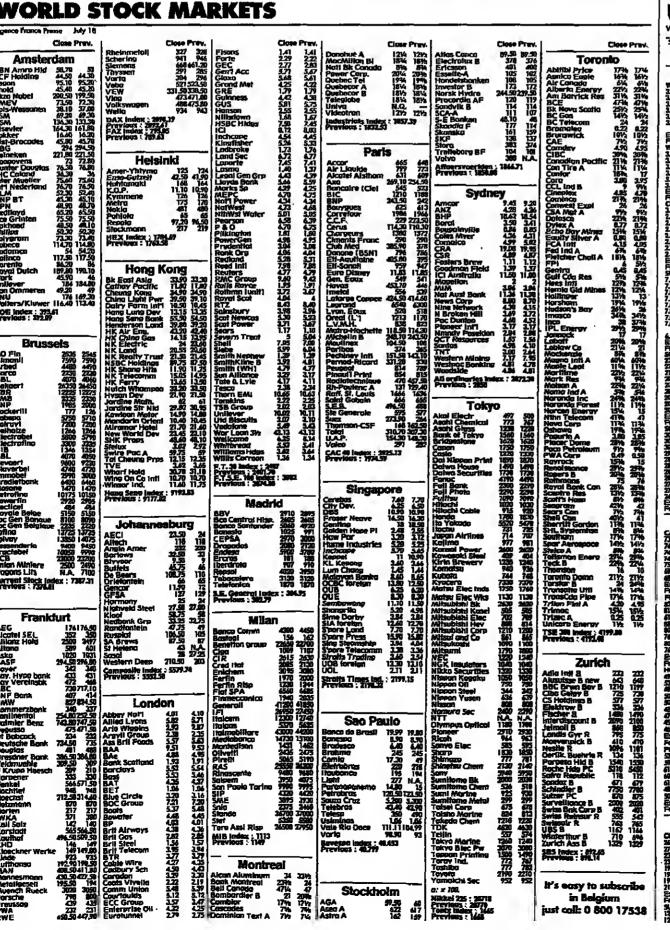
Compiled by Our Stoff From Dispatches LOS ANGELES — The movie industry appeared headed for a record \$105 million nonholiday weekend box-office gross, led by three powerhouse movies: Arnold Schwarzenegger in "True Lies Tom Hanks in "Forrest Gump" and Walt Disney Pictures' and

mated film, "The Lion King." "True Lies" dominated with a gross of \$27.8 million, Following are the top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for Saturday and Sunday.

If the weekend estimates hold up, the total will break the record established only a year ago, when four hit movies dominated the market, accounting for about 60 percent of ticket sales. Those films were "Jurassic Park," "The Firm," "In the Line of Fire" and

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### Standard Chartered Admits Asia Woes

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches day that its gold bullion unit in Asia, the Mocatta Group, had made "unusual" trades and offered gifts to individuals to try

to gain business.
Two directors of the Mocatta unit resigned amid the bank's investigation of the scandal, and "subsequent investigation by the bank revealed discrepancies in expense claims," Stan-dard Chartered said. "Reasons given for the expense included gifts to individuals in certain countries to facilitate business,

a practice contrary to bank rules and procedures." Standard Chartered said the "unusual" trades were "immediately stopped and procedures and controls tightened."

The bank declined to comment on reports that Mocatta employees had bribed government officials in the Philippines and Malaysia. "I won't add to the specula-

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#### Earnings Rise At GE-Alcatel

Joint Venture

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS - GEC-Alsthorn NV, the engineering joint venture of Alcatel Alsthom SA and General Electric PLC, said Monday that net income rose 6.8 percent in the year ended March 31.

The company, which builds power stations and high-speed trains, said it carned 329 million European Currency Units (\$406 million) during the year, compared with 308 million Ecus in the previous financial year. .

Before payments to minority shareholders, GEC-Alsthom said it earned 346 million Ecus, up 8.9 per-

cent from a year earlier. GEC-Alsthom also said sales declined to 7.93 billion Ecus, compared with 7.98 billion in the previous year. Orders received totaled 9.32 billion Ecus, virtually unchanged from 1993. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

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NYSE

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect the trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Pres

LONDON — Standard chartered PLC admitted Monday that its cold be more to head Asian investment.

banking and stockbroking Standard Chartered, which said it had alerted the Bank of England about the latest impropricties, said the trouble at Mocatta would have an "insignificant" effect on its total profit.

"Mocatta continues to trade profitably," Mr. McFariane

Standard Chartered said the Bank of England was unlikely to make its own investigation.

"The bank is continuing to investigate the position, which it treats with the utmost seriousness." Standard Chartered said.

While banking analysts agreed that the incident was unlikely to jeopardize Standard Chartered's profit, they said the matter added to the bank's growing reputation for slack

"It will take three years of silence from Standard Chartered to remove their reputation for hitting every banana skin," said John Tyce, a bank analyst at Société Générale Strauss Turnbull Securities.

Last week the managing director of another of the bank's subsidiaries, Standard Chartered Securities, resigned after having been challenged by Hong Stock market authorities over irregular actions by the company in introducing firms to the stock market.

Last month, Standard Chartered was banned for nine months from underwriting initial public share offerings in Hong Kong over a charge that it had provided misleading infor-

mation. Ironically, Standard Chartered has been reorganizing its management since 1991 in an effort to reduce the bank's exposure to industrial and politi-

The bank's Asian operations have been profitable, helping Standard Chartered's pretax profit more than double last year, to £401 million (\$641 mil-lion). Mr. McFarlane said the Mo-

catta matter would not damage the bank's credibility.

being left hopelessly behind "Standard Chartered has more efficient American and Asian competitors in the curbuilt a reputation with over 100 years of business experience," he said. "That's sufficient for clients to keep confidence."

throat worldwide race for sales, profit and survival. (Bloomberg, Reiters, AFP) Whether Western European phone call - all are more ex-

### Let Them Eat Chicken Rostik Brings Fast Food to Russia's Masses

By Judith Ingram New York Times Service

MOSCOW - Filthy and crowded with travelers, peddlers and beggars, the Kazan train station here is scarcely an inviting place to sit down for a meal.

Yet at one end of the grim waiting room, a neon sign calls travelers to an eating experience that is a world spart from the traditional sansage stands - a modern fast-food restaurant serving fried chicken tucked into cheerful red wrappers. The bathrooms are spotless.

The Rostik's fried chicken restaurant, which might seem more at home in an American shopping mail, is part of the second wave of fast-food restaurants in Russia. Americanstyle fast food is moving beyond the tourist districts, where McDonald's set up shop, into the neighborhoods.

. The unusual company behind the Kazan outlet, Venezuela's Rostik International, led by Rostislav Ordovsky-Tanaevsky Blanco. 35, is leading a drive to bring fast food to Moscow's masses. Mr. Ordovsky-Tanaevsky Blanco's last name is explained by mixed parentage: a Russian emigré father and Vene-

The company's majority-owned subsidiary in Russia, called Rosinter, made its fast-food debut in Moscow in 1993 with Kombi's, which specializes in deli-style sandwiches and milk shakes. Since then, it has opened four Kombi's and two Rostik's fried chicken restaurants, giving it twice as many fast-food outlets as McDonald's. So far, Rosinter's restaurants are all owned

by the company. To fuel growth, Rosinter is pushing a substitute for franchises in a country without a legal basis for franchising.

Victor M. Brecher, the general manager of Rosinter's fast-food division, explained that restaurant dinner.

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But belated though it may be,

what is happening here, some 50 miles northwest of Munich,

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in nearly every industry.

acting on it ever since.

investors can run a restaurant themselves and keep half the profit or let Rosinter run the restaurant and receive a smaller percentage. Most of Rosinter's fast-food partners, he added, recoup their investment in two years.

Mr. Ordovsky-Tanaevsky Blanco predicts that his company will have 60 or more fastfood restaurants scattered across the Russian capital by the turn of the century.

There is no saturation point," he said.

The problem is not how much you can build in this immense market, but rather the logistical limits, like telephones, supplies and human resources."

Mr. Ordovsky-Tanaevsky Blanco entered the restaurant trade mainly to overcome a hard-currency obstacle. After years as distribntor for Eastman Kodak Co. in Venezuela, the company won the Soviet franchise in

1988. Hard currency was needed, but the photo outlets could only collect rubles.

So Mr. Ordovsky-Tanaevsky Blaneo opened the Spanish Bar in a Moscow botel in 1990. Theoew restaurant brought in plenty of dollars and Deutsche marks.

"I saw it was not what was occided for this country; it was affordable only to foreigners." he recalled. In 1993, Rosinter opened its first fast food restaurant.

A Rostik's dinner - two pieces of chicken, biscnit, slaw and soft drink - comes to 6,000 rubles. Although that's less than \$3 at the current exchange rate, the cost for a family of four still comes to 10 percent of an average monthly salary - certainly oot every-

day fare for Russians.

East Enropeans find glamour in fast-food meals," said Steven Petri, a lawyer with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in London who is a specialist in franchising. "They treat them like a fancy

enough to catch up remains to

corporate executives - and to a

list of problems that has grown

Labor costs in Germany are the

world's highest (an hourly average of \$25.56 last year, includ-

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most other European countries

universal medical care, gener-

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econgb and aggressively United States or Japan. Strong unions limit the kind forts to become more of slash-and-burn cost cutting competitive with the United be seen. But at the very least, that is commoo in the United States and Japan — arguably States - especially with unem- the region's biggest industrial lesser extent workers and politiployment already near or above challenge since rebuilding after cal leaders — are facing up to a 10 percent in most European countries. The high cost of hir-Employment levels remain ing and firing workers discourages companies from doing eibloated at many companies.

The ongoing transformation of Enrope into a single market, which offered the promise of economies of scale, has not as well. The cost of providing lived up to the expectations of most companies, which complain that trade remains inhibited by continuing legal, regulatory, tax and cultural differences among countries.

There has been only tentative made it easier for companies to munications and airlines. workers. Other European governments are spending more time studying Britain, where the Conservative government over the past 15 years has swept away rigid labor laws, weakened the unions, dropped most trade barriers — and seen foreign investment and productivi-

REALITY: Industries Across Europe Struggle With Corporate Renewal companies are moving fast pensive in Europe than in the rope has unquestionably be-

> World War IL. In industries such as computers, where there are few trade

barriers to true global competition, and automobiles, where traditional trade protection is disappearing. European com-panies are moving rapidly. Mercedes-Benz has cut \$1.4 billioo from annual operating costs in the past two years and is expected to return to profitability this year as auto sales rebound.

But progress has been slower in industries ranging from steel-making to banking, and the process of shrinking to a realisprogress in addressing the issues on the national level. Spain, for example, recently ized sectors such as telecom-

### 3i Group Has a Big

LONDON - Shares of 3i Group PLC surged 7.5 percent on their first day of trading on the London Stock Exchange on Monday as investors bet that Europe's biggest venture capital company would profit as European economies gather steam.

More than 26 millioo 3i shares were traded by late afternoon - three times the volume of any other British stock amid speculation that the 49year-old company will vault into the FT-SE 100 index of Britain's largest public companies this year.

3i priced its shares at 272 pence (\$4.32) each on June 22. The shares closed Monday at 292.5 pence.

"3i has particular appeal for many U.K. institutions," said Simon Borrows, a director of Baring Brothers & Co., the investment bank that orchestrated the initial share sale.

For investors, 3i shares buy a piece of a £3 billion investment portfolio of small, mostly British companies when the U.K. economy is rebounding. The shares are an easy way to invest in the more than 3,400 compa-

nies that 3i fioances.
"This is a big success," said Stephen Magrath, a salesman at the brokerage NatWest Mar-

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• Internationale Nederlanden Groep NV has raised its stake in Grontunij NV, an environmental engineering company, by 1.74

percentage points, to 10.44 percent. · Winterthan Insurance Co. said it expected double-digit profit

growth in the current year, helped by an increase in its nonlife insurance business in Europe. · Zurich Insurance Ca.'s Italian unit said its chief financial officer

had been arrested on suspicion of bribery. Skandia Group Insurance Co. said its Skandia America Corp.

agreed to sell its group of companies that sell conlife insurance in Texas to Omni Insurance Group Inc. of Atlanta. • Pelikan Holding AG, the Swiss office supply company, said it had agreed to sell its office equipment products business, which

includes printer cartridges and toners, to Nu-kote Holding Inc. of the United States in exchange for No-kote stock. • Wellman PLC is buying the automotive, garage and car-parking equipment subsidiaries of FKI PLC for £46 million (\$74 million)

in cash and shares. The European Union signed an agreement with Estonia, Latvia

and Lithuania to create a free-trade area in industrial goods beginning in January.

• Sweden's unemployment rate rose to 8.5 percent in June from 7.1 percent in May.

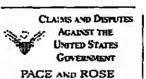
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#### The Check's in the Mail . . .

LONDON - British companies pay their bills later than anyone in Europe, and most of the late payment is deliberate, according to a survey commissioned by Inirum Justitia, Europe's largest debt collector.

It polled more than 4,000 European firms and found that payments in Britain were on average 23 days late, compared with a

European average of 14 days. About 54 percent of late payments by British companies were intentional, the study said, whereas the most common reason for paying late in the rest of Europe was financial difficulty.



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#### ASIA/PACIFIC

### South Korea Tells \*Banks to Curb Stock Investment

Knight-Ridder

SEOUL - The Bank of Korea has told local banks to cut back on their stock market investments, brokers and analysts said Monday.

The move by the central bank was apparently a response to first-half results released Friday that indicated local banks were getting a large portion of their profits from stock investments.

While officials at both the Bank of Korea and the Ministry of Finance said no official restrictions had been put on the banks' investments, they confirmed that strong "advice" had been given over the weekend. Banks were heavy sellers in South Korea's stock market

For South Korea's six largest

#### POSCO Seeks To List Shares In New York

Knight-Ridder

SEOUL - Officials are oegotiating the first listing of a South Korean company on the New York Stock Exchange, the South Kore-an Ministry of Finance said

Mooday. Successful negotiations would set the stage for Pohang Iron & Steel Corp. to issue shares and bonds on the Big Board.

POSCO, a major steel producer, is the secondlargest listing on the Seoul stock market in terms of market capitalization. It is hoping to raise as much as \$700 million through having its shares and bonds

listed on the NYSE. Officials of the securities bureau of the Ministry of Finance left for New York over the weekend, and results of the negotiations are expected to be announced this week, Finance Ministry officials said.

CHINA:

A 'Soft Landing'

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suppression by the government.

Bound by its greater integra-tion with foreign trade and in-vestment and wishing to avoid previous mistakes, China

moved quickly to curtail unau-thorized, speculative invest-

lt also sought, more gradual-ly, to direct credit to areas of

the economy that need it most: long-term infrastructure devel-

opment and its unprofitable state industries with their millions of make-work jobs. At the same time, Beijing has accelerated its program of structural reforms that seck to establish modern monetary.

taxation and capital-markets

Although inflation has yet to be tamed, fixed-asset invest-

ment growth has weakened. Monday's announcement said retail prices had risen 19.8 per-

cent nationally in the first half of 1994, while the consumer

spice index in China's largest critics jumped 22.7 percent. The culprit in China's current

inflationary spiral, according to

many economists, is fixed-asset investment, which was 25.2 per-

cent higher than in the first six months of last year, Ye Zhen of the statistics bureau said in

But that increase was meager compared with the 70 percent increase registered in the first

half of 1993 from 1992. Econo-

mists read the decrease as a sign

that inflation - while still threatening to exacerbate dif-

ferences between incomes in ur-

ban and rural areas - will

a gradual slowdown with little

evidence of major problems,"

said Andrew Freris, chief re-gional economist with Salomon

Brothers in Hong Kong. "I see absolutely no reason why they

Other statistics released

• Industrial output in the first half of 1994 was up 15.8 percent from the like period last

year, to \$87 billion. Output was up 21.1 percent in all of 1993

Bank savings rose nearly \$60 billion, while the state sold \$11.5 billion of bonds to fund • The proportion of state-

owned companies posting

losses at the end of June was 46.3 percent compared with 49.7 percent in the first quarter of 1994.

A state statistical bureau

spokesman in Beijing described the results as encouraging

can't do it for another year."

Monday included these:

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ment by state organs.

#### banks, stock transaction profits in the first six months of 1994 jumped to nearly five times

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their year-earlier levels, while net profits rose 55 percent. We are two-faced concern-

ing bank investment in stocks," an official with the bank supervisory board of the Ministry of Finance, said. On one hand, the stock market gives banks a new source of income, he said. On the other hand, it exposes them to a new source of risk.

Also behind the central bank's action is the belief that heavy stock market investment by banks will adversely affect the nation's money supply. At the end of June, the overnight call rate peaked at 16.5 percent as funds became short because of heavy stock purchases by banking institutions.

"Simply, the government wants banks to start thinking more about their depositors and less about their stock investments," Richard Kim of Korea First Securities said.

Meanwhile, South Korean stock prices slipped as the banks engaged in a round of selling and investors feared government action to stem inflation. The Korea Composite Stock Price Index closed at 944.80, down 4.93 points from Saturday'a half-day session.

[Analysts and traders said the market's downturn could continue for days, as South Korea's top three investment trust companies are expanding their stock sales to raise money to pay back loans from the Bank of Korea, Bloomberg Business News reported from Seoul].

Nervousness about political events in North Korea also continued to depress investor sentiment, brokers and analysts

North Korea will we see some bullishness return to the market," said a broker at Dongsuh Securities, referring to the releader and his son.

### Cracking Thai Banking Barriers

BANGKOK -- In just over a decade. Finance One PLC has developed from a small family operation into one of Thailand's most powerful finance companies. It is also, Thai market analysts say, the finance company with the best chance to break through the state-controlled barrier into banking.

The company's president, Pin Chakkapak, known for his aggressiveness in engineering corporate takeovers, says a blending of Eastern tradition and Western business techniques has been the key to Finance One's success. "I think we have to be Thai in the sense

that we are in the Thai community," Mr. Pin, 44, said in an interview. "But at the same time, I think the whole basis of our management is very Western." A Western management style is a reci-

pe for success, Mr. Pin says, especially now that Thailand is poised to allow new players into the lucrative banking scene, currently dominated by a few key families, for the first time in decades.

Thailand's central bank has not issued

a new banking license since the 1970s, but it has said it will grant new licenses by the end of the year. Stringent requirements have been set.

Joining Finance One in the running for the coveted permits are finance industry giants such as Dhana Siam Finance & Securities Co., Phatra Thanakit Co. and CMIC Finance & Securities Co., which by order of the central bank must all split their finance and securities operations by the end of the year.

Mr. Pin was born in Chicago and is a U.S. citizen, but his roots in business are classically Thai. He was, for example, chosen to run the Yip In Tsoi Finance Co. — which changed its name to Fi-nance One in the mid-1980s — at age 29.

"This is one of the great stories of Thailand over the past five years," said Paul Ensor, chief representative at Crédit Lyonnais Securities (Asia) Ltd. "He practices American management technique with Thai-Chinese drive."

Mr. Pin estimates that Thailand's top five banks, known for consistently report-ing high profits, hold a domestic market

share of 75 percent. But that dominance, he says, is about to be challenged.

"As the economy gets bigger and the financial sector has less dominance of the economy, other sectors will have the ability to take over banks," he said.

Mr. Pin has acquired about 20 compames since joining Yip In Tsoi. Those in his core group of holdings include Securities One PLC, one of Thailand's most successful securities firms, and One Investment Management PLC, a fund management company. Mr. Pin's latest and most controversial purchase was a 23.57 percent stake in Bangkok-based Bank of Asia Ltd.

Despite Mr. Pin's protests that he is not a threat to the current majority shareholders of Bank of Asia, the industry is nervous. Mr. Pin says no one will believe he does oot want to take over the bank, because of his reputation for ac-

Mr. Pin also says his deputies are attracted by the opportunities presented in a business run with a Western bent. "We're breaking with a lot of traditional

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### **Petron Draws Eager Investors**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MANILA - Shares in Pe- offering. tron Corp. soured 44 percent Monday on the unofficial gray market as the public offering of a stake in the country's largest oil refiner got under way despite legal efforts to halt it.

A petition by opposition leg-islators to void a previous sale Aramco, and to stop the public

that they were willing to bid up the price to 13 pesos (49 U.S. cents) a share from the initial change's president. Eduardo offering price of nine pesos. The issue of 1 billion shares, the

offering was turned aside.

Lawyers for Petron said investors would be repaid if the million are for employees of Pe-

court decided later to bar the offering.

Brokers said buyers were so hungry for the issue Monday for the issue Mo

The Philippine Stock Ex-change's president, Eduardo de los Angeles, said the Petron offering would raise the stock market's total capitalization by more than 50 percent, from \$39 billion at the end of 1993 to an estimated \$60 billion after the offering was completed.

#### largest in the Philippines' histoof 40 percent of Petron to Saudi ry, was not due to be officially Arabian Oil Co., also known as listed until Sept. 5. Of those shares, 600 million

ings Ltd. said Monday that a takeover bid of 4.25 Australian dollars a share from Davids Ltd. undervalued the grocery company.

The offer from Davids, a food wholesaler, values IHL at 133 million dollars (\$97.6 million). the ground and his son Kim IHL's managing director, John Patten, advised Jong II is firmly in control of IHL shareholders not to act on the offer until the board investigated other possibilities.

not receive the benefit of any higher offer price cently deceased North Korean which could emerge for IHL," he said.

HONG KONG - Hender-

Lam, said Monday. "We have our eye on power

### IHL Says Davids' Bid Is Not Enough

"IHI. advises its shareholders that if they accept the current offer for their shares they will

"We believe that what we've put on the table is IHL would reduce competition.

Renters

a generous price," said Davids' director, Jeff
ADELAIDE, Australia — Independent Holdugs Ltd. said Monday that a takeover bid of 4.25

earnings, and we are just going to wait and see what happens."

Davids owns 25.7 percent of 1HL's 31.4 million issued shares. Foodland Associated Ltd., also a grocer, holds 18.5 percent, and Kmart Corp. has 10.8 percent.
Foodland itself is the subject of a 501 million

dollar bid from Rank Commercial Ltd. and Coles Myer Ltd. of New Zealand. Earlier, Davids said it would sell IHL's 31.7

percent stake in Composite Buyers Ltd. if Australian regulators concluded that the purchase of

#### Henderson Land Sets \$1.3 Billion China Investment

son Land Development Co. plans to invest about 10 billion Hong Koog dollars (\$1.3 bil-lion) in China over the next three or four years, the property concern's vice chairman, Colin

plants, infrastructure items such as toll roads and telecommunications," Mr. Lam said. Henderson and subsidiaries

already have interests in hotels, construction, department stores, utilities, transport and power plants in Hong Kong as well as property development joint ventures in China.

Mr. Lam said the company was emphasizing developments

#### Very briefly:

· Hong Kong's efforts to moderate the boom in its real-estate market helped cut housing prices by as much as 12 percent in the second quarter, the consulting coocern Jones Lang Wootton said.

 President Enterprises Corp., Taiwan's largest food processor, said pretax profit in the first half rose 54 percent, to 1.65 billion Taiwan dollars (\$62 million), partly from real-estate sales.

 Jardine Pacific, a wholly owned subsidiary of Jardine Matheson Holdings Ltd., said it planned to invest more than 100 million Hong Kong dollars (\$13 million) to open more than 20 Pizza Hut restaurants in southern China.

Korea Telecom Corp., a state-owned company, said it acquired a 20 percent stake in Republic Telecommunications Holdings of the

 Australis Media Ltd., the Australian pay televisioo company, said it bought 15 of the 17 microwave pay television licenses auctioned in Adelaide on Mooday for 7.46 million Australian dollars (\$5 million).

Confinental Cablevision, the third-largest cable company in the United States, has joined three Singapore companies in a \$352 million project to set up Singapore's first cable network.

· Hong Kong tycoon Gordon Wu's south China superhighway was opened to traffic; the six-lane, 122-kilometer (73-mile) road links Shenzhen with Guangzhou, the capital of Guangdoog Province. He said the money would come from working capital and a bond issue due in October.

Conty corp. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. said they were looking into standardizing formats of digital video discs, which are expected to eventually replace videotapes and laser discs. Sony Corp. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. said they were

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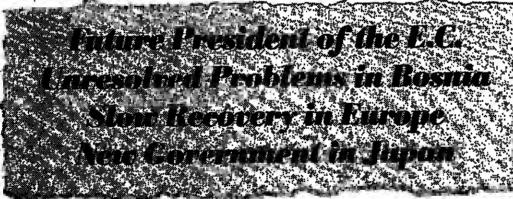
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# **SPORTS**

### **Federation Cup: Most Favorites Advance Easily**

FRANKFURT - Argentina and France qualified for the second round in the women's Federation Cup tennis tournament Monday, by winning both their singles matches for unbeatable 2-0 leads.

Argentina got past Cuba with Patricia Tara-bini beating Yoanis Montesinos, 6-4, 6-2, and Florencia Labat winning by 6-1, 6-0 over Belkis

Argentina is playing without its top star, Ga-briela Sabatini, who pulled out with a shoulder

France, led by Mary Pierce, who ranks No. 8 in the world, swept its two singles matches, with Julie Halard beating Choi Ju Yeon of South

Korea, 6-4, 6-4, and Pierce breezing past Park
Sung Hee, 6-3, 6-1.

Also qualifying for the second round with
back-to-back singles victories, making the later
doubles meaningless, were Germany, South Afri-

ca and the Slovak Republic.

Japan and China, Belgium and Sweden and the Netherlands and Belarus all split their singles matches, leaving the teams tied at one point each. with the doubles still needed to determine a

Play was delayed for more than an hour because of a steady rain. Spain, the Federation Cup defending champion, led by Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario and onchita Martinez, the Wimbledon champion, is the big



Anke Huber, en route to defeating Colombia's Carmina Giraldo as Germany won both singles matches.

# Turnberry Winner Price A Champ Worthy of Title

would have to disagree.

Price had come to Turnberry

earlier in the week talking about

the frustration of not having

This year, he'd shot 77 in the final round of the Masters and

opened with 76 at the U.S. Open

come good on the last day."

By Leonard Shapiro Washington Post Service -

TURNBERRY, Scotland -It was typical of Nick Price, a jolly good fellow so popular among his playing peers, to take time during his British Open victory ceremony to turn toward the runner-up, Jesper Parnevik of Sweden, and tell him, "You're going to be a great player. You have age on your side. Use it wisely."

That is precisely what Price, 37, a citizen of Zimbabwe born in South Africa to English perents and a resident of Orlando, Florida, had done himself in a lifetime of wandering the globe in search of the perfect golf

Now, said his long-time tient enough. You have to put teacher and friend, David yourself in the right frame of mind. You don't go out firing there's any dispute about who's No. 1, is there?"

The Sony rankings still listed yourself into position and then come send on the last day."

The Sony rankings still listed Price's friend Greg Norman as the top-ranked player in the world on Monday, with Price No. 2. But anyone who saw

Price's stunning, come-from-behind charge Sunday of eagle, two seasons, more than anyone birdie, par at the last three else. In 1982, he had begun the holes, as he overtook Pamevik,

process of re-tooling his game under the watchful eye of Leadbetter, at the time an obscure teaching pro. Now known as Nick Faldo's swing Svengali, played well in the majors since his PGA Championship break-through in St. Louis in 1992. Leadbetter had been Price's tutor for several years before he met the English star; in fact it was Price who suggested that finished 35th. Last month, he Faldo see Leadbetter when he was struggling in the early '80s.

ar Oakmont and missed the cut.

"Not playing well in majors
can be so disappointing." he
said the day before this championship began. "Maybe I've
been trying too hard to put the
ball too close and not been pa-"When I went to see Leadbetter in '82, my game wasn't good enough," Price said. The first time I looked at my swing on a video I almost threw up. I had about five different planes in my golf swing. It was ugly. I knew I had some serious work to do. David wasn't that great a teacher back then. He was experimenting with me and Dennis Watson, but things worked out over the years. He's been great for my game."

Price followed that formula He came to Turnberry as the only three-time winner on the to perfection over the four days this memorable tournament. PGA Tour. As Fuzzy Zoeller. He was four strokes off the lead the third-place finisher said,
"The way he's putting now,
Nicky can win anything." after the first round, two back-after 36 holes, behind by only a shot going into the finish 18 holes after his second straight

The same could not be said bogey at the 18th hole on Saturfor one of Sunday's saddest stories, the collapse of 36-hole leader Tom Watson, who en-tered the last round only a stroke back and was tied for the On Sunday, he was angry at lead at nine-under after his birdie at the seventh hole.

But back-to-back double bogeys, including misses of threeand four-foot putts at the eighth and ninth holes, sent him spinning off the board and down to a tie for 11th. His dream of a sixth British Open, past him to win at Troon.

Six years later, he'd barded
Seve Ballesteror at Royal
Lytham and succumbed to the
Spamard's brilliant play over
the finishing holes. Now, after
another six years. Price had
clearly used his age and his experience wisely
If nothing else Price has
learned how to win at every
level of the rame. He's has 10 of tying Harry Vardon for the record, had ended.

As always, Watson was gra-cions in defeat, trying to con-sole playing partner Parnevik and saying "he showed a lot of soul."

For most of this Open, so did Watson, rekindling memories of so many past triumphs with his 65 on Friday until the putter once again betrayed him with a shaky stroke in the inferno of the final round.
In the end, it was Price's brid-

tours before coming to the United States to play full-time in 1983, and has who seven liant driving — be missed only two fairways Sunday on the fi-nal 18 holes — and his chipping and putting that prevailed. He saved pars from off the back of the green at the 13th and 14th, sank a 14-footer for birdie at 16, two-footer for the victory at the last hole. "Nick's won two majors and

he's got two to go," said Zoeller, who also took a shot at the American pros who skipped this event, calling them "gutless" for not trying to play.

Trust me, to win golf tournaments you've got to make putts at the right time and the right place," he said. "He had to make that big putt at 16 just to get into position just for 17 to

mean something.
"I'm happy for Nick. He's a credit to the game of golf, a true sportsman."

And the wise and worthy champion of the 123d British

### After Capriati, New U.S. Tennis Prodigy's Debut Put on Hold

By Robin Finn New York Times Service

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NEW YORK — The good news, if you happen to be offended by the notion of 14-year-old professional tennis players and appalled by the drugrelated defection and despair of Jennifer Capriait, is that 14-year-old Venus Williams will not be making her debut next month at the Virginia Slims of next month at the Virginia Slims of

Los Angeles.

The bad news, if you happen to market this cradle-robbing sport and reap personal profit from multimillion dollar careers like Capriati's, is that 14-year-old Venus Williams will not be making her debut next month at the Virginia Slims of Los Angeles.

Frightened off by the personal and professional nosedive taken by the 18year-old Capriati, who in better days had served as their daughter's role model, the Williams family has re-neged on its much-publicized decision to allow Venus to go home to California and test the professional waters in tony Manhattan Beach.
"Jennifer was one of those can't-

miss girls, and it seems like Venus is

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the same way, but now we think it's not a wise decision to let Venus play yet," the prodigy's anxious father, Richard, said recently from the family's home in Delray Beach, Florida,

"Her situation is too close to what Jennifer's was; Jennifer left home to train with Rick Macci, she turned pro at a tournament close to home with 75 or 80 reporters watching, and we just feel like we'd be going professional in too similar a way."

Williams grew up poor in Compton, California, hence her father's tendency to call her his "ghetto Cinderella," even though the family deserted Compton for Florida four years ago to accelerate Venus's tennis education.

But this is a Cinderella story with a twist. Where the fairy-tale character had to worry about coming home too late from the ball, lest her carriage turn into a pumpkin and her gown to rags, Venus Williams is worried about entering tennis too soon lest the inevitable limousine provided by the starstarved tennis establishment turns into

Venus Williams is, as everybody in

the most famous black tennis prodigy never to play an actual match. She has been coached by Macci and Nick Bollettieri, has been serenaded by the United States Tennis Association, and has pledged her unofficial allegiance to Reebok after being courted by ump-

teen sneaker companies. She turned 14 last month and, under the present welcome wagon format the Women's Tennis Council affords its teenage sensations even as it stagewhispers its grave reservations about letting little girls do women's work, is eligible to join the professional circuit. According to Richard Williams, no-body from that circuit's hierarchy has

ever dissuaded him from letting Venus turn professional. Instead, he has gotten the impression that women's tennis would be only too happy to add his daughter's name to its marquee.

"Tennis is going to have Jennifer Capriatis by the dozen if this keeps up," he said, "It's wrong that the WTC, the WTA, the ITF and the USTA don't have a real plan to pre-vent this. The next time you see a 14-

Davis Cup

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the tennis business is acutely aware, year-old go professional, someone just to play for yourself when the time

Last winter, Venus asked her par-ents whether she could play the Man-hattan Beach event, and, depending on her grades at the close of the school year, they agreed to let her compete. But the family altered its course last

week after a visit to Compton. After being mobbed by autograph-seekers and well-wishers back in the old neighborhood, Venus herself decided she wasn't ready for the hoopla.

"She had black people coming up to her and telling her they'd buy tickets just to see her," said Richard Williams. We told her there would be too many people expecting too much from ber if she played so near her hometown. We 'to know what that is." told her, 'You can't be out there playing for the blacks, or for the whites, or whoever: it's going to be all you can do thing.

people from the WTC ought to go join the Russian Army: they don't care about your kid, they only care what she can bring the business. They say, "Here's some money, now give us your kid."

Last winter, Venus asked her parents whether she could play the Manhattan Beach event, and, depending on her grades at the close of the school

But Venus also informed her parents that she expects to be ready to play two or three tournaments next year when she's 15, and they expect to let her do

"So many parents just want the money so badly; they're greedy, and we're hoping we're not," said Richard Williams. "We're hoping we've learned by what happened to Jennifer Capriati. even if it seems like nobody else has. We want to resist the pressure and we want to do the right thing. But it's hard

Especially when there's so much profit to be had by doing the wrong

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NEW YORK - Mike Keenan, who abruptly quit as coach of the New York Rangers only Priday night, com-pleted a stunning weekend of job-shopping and job-hop-ping by joining the St. Louis Blues as coach and general

"This has come around very quickly," Keenan said Sunday night. Asked if he planned to fulfill the five years of this contract, he replied: "I hope I'm here longer than that."

But the announcement from St. Louis may be only the beginning of a battle in National Hockey League executive suites. The Rangers are expected to contest the departure of Keenan, who had four years left on his contract. If so, they are likely to ask for either compensation from the Blues or aks that the deal to be vetoed.

Keenan contended that the contract was breached because the Rangers were a day late in sending him some bonus money. However, it is widely known that he was in a power struggle dispute with Neil Smith, the president and general manager of the team.

#### Judge Rules NBA Has Acted Legally The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A federal judge ruled Monday that the National Bas-ketball Association's salary cap, college draft and right of first refusal do not violate antitrust laws.

level of the game. He's has 10

championships ontside the American tour. He played the

South African and Poropean

Had Duffy ruled that the salary cap and draft were illegal, all the rockies drafted last month would have become unrestricted free agents and there would be no limit on what teams could offer prospective signees.

Duffy said he could not find antirust violations because the collective bargaining agreement was controlled by federal labor law and its policies. Thus, he said, there was no antitrust violation "as long as the collective bargaining relationship exists."

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The Michael Jordan Watch

SUNDAY'S GAME: Jorden went 1-forwith two stringants a popular and on RBI dou-ble to a 4-5 victory over the Greatville Scaves. He had one puted in right field. SEASON TO DATE: Jordon is botting 1/12 (66-for-SI) with 7 runs. 1/16 voices. I tripis. 34 RBIs. J. Wolte. II strikeouts and 22 stoler bases in 36 attempts. He has 152 putouts. 4 casists and 9 errors in right field.

#### CYCLING Tour de France

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# **SPORTS**

# For Italy's Poli, A Solitary Ride Over Big Bump

By Samuel Abt mercational Herald Tribune

CARPENTRAS, France -The Tour de France finally slowed Monday, the riders pedaling at a languid 25 kilometers an hour away from the start because they were intimidated by the one bump in the road

What a bump that was: Mont Ventoux, a climb rated beyond category for length, steepness and difficulty. Mont Ventoux, a barren mountaintop of scorch-

And it was already a hot day. Rising 1,909 meters (6,299 feet) from the plains of the Vaucluse region, the mountain lay hidden in a heat haze generated by an-other day of high humidity and temperatures in the mid-90s (35 degrees centigrade).

Even in moderate weather, he Ventoux is known as a textitying climb 21 kilometers (13 miles) long on a grade of more than 8 percent for 16 kilometers and nearly 10 percent for the rest. Despite its name of Windy Mountain, it is often without a trace of fresh air in the summer ... For nearly the last half of the climb, it is without a trace of

Was Eros Poli intimidated? Eros Poli, kamikaze first class? "I have to keep trying to do something if I want to win a stage," the Italian rider for the Mercatone Uno team said a few days after he set off on a long and unsuccessful solo attack on

July 9. "So I'll keep trying." When he tried Monday, nobody responded by chasing himand probably a few in the pack laughed. A support rider who leads the team's sprinters into the final few hundred meters, Poli is not a winner and certain-

ly not a climber. Let them laugh. The next time a rider saw Poli it was four and a half hours later and he was standing on the victory po-dium in Carpentras, waving gleefully at a huge crowd. After a brave and imagina-

ters the Italian finished first by 3 minutes, 39 seconds, down from a peak of nearly 24 minutes. He was timed in 6 hours, Second was Alberto Elli, an Brazilian soccer star.

tive ride alone for 171 kilome-

Italian with GB-MG, and third with Festina, both in the same season, shut out his former deficit of 3:39.

ished minth, remained in the yellow jersey by 7:56 over Richard Virenque, another French-Mexican League on June 24, man with Festina, who finished picked up his first victory in the

on July 2, just 135 remain after more Orioles, two more quit and three, in-

DENNIS THE MENACE

chiding Lance Armstrong, an American with Motorola and the world road-race champion, did not start.

Another casualty was Rob Harmeling, a Dutch sprinter with TVM, who was disqualified late Sunday night for getting up a climb by holding on to his team car. The penalty was meant as a warning for the mountainous days ahead.

The pack which has been

The pack, which has been tearing along furiously every other day, rode slowly from the start of this 15th of 21 daily stages. Two hours after the departure in Montpellier, nobody had yet attacked and the speed remained a constant 25 kph.

Mont Ventoux's peak sat at Kilometer-190.5 of the 231-kilometer stage and the climb began at Kilometer 172. What rider could be in a horry to get

Rolf Jacrmann could. The Swiss with GB-MG broke the truce by attacking at a bit be-youd Kilometer 48. Quickly recled in by the pack's first acceleration of the day, he was followed on the offensive by Davide Cassani, an Italian teammate, and Giovanni Fidanza, an Italian with Polti.

Although they were quickly caught too, the burst of speed left several riders behind. With four days of climbing in the Alps ahead, starting Tuesday, the riders seemed to want no more reductions in the ranks. They resumed their slow march.

That was too much of a challenge for Poli. After his long — 166 kilometers, four hours and unsuccessful solo attack on the way to Futuroscope nine days ago, he explained his mo-tives in addition to his quest for victory: "If I don't attack, I have nothing to do." He has found himself without a Mercatone Uno sprinter to lead because one is sick and not competing and the other quit early in this 81st Tour.



Miguel Indurain, with Luc Leblanc (far left), Armand De Las Cuevas and Richard Virenque (right), toiling up Ventoux.

So, on this wretchedly hot and humid day, Poli went away and stayed away, riding alone through a landscape without people or villages for mile after mile. His only view was the road shead and the vineyards on either side of it.

Through the Gard region he went, past vineyards that pro-duce a fair table wine, as his lead began mounting from sec-onds to minutes. By the time he reached the upmarket vine-yards of Chateauneuf du Pape, the lead was 10:16. The lesson he was teaching the pack was not to ignore a rider who helped Italy win the gold medal in the team time trial at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Ange-

Pushed by a tailwind as he moin variation repassed a Roman viaduct in the On another suffocating July first of two transits of Carpenday in 1967, it was the scene of tras, Poli was cruising 20:35 ahead of the pack and 15:50 Tour - that of Tom Simpson, ahead of his only chaser, Mario an English rider who suc-Montavan, an Italian with Car- cumbed to heat exhaustion ex-

The lead over the pack attained a peak of nearly 24 minntes just after Poli reached yet more vineyards, those for Côtes

He went at it with gusto, ris-ing from his saddle as the road ascended and defying the blazing sun by removing the visor be wears instead of the usual

the only death in the modern acerbated by amphetamines.

A memorial marker to Simpson is placed where he fell, a kilometer from the top amid baked chips of limestone. Tour du Ventoux, another fair table officials and star riders from the wine, and first spotted the past placed a bouquet there mountain.

Monday minutes before Poli struggled by.

> He was haggard then, wearing a termented stare and black around his eyes. "I think I lost 5 kilos on the climb," he said later. He was still elimbing,

ahead of the awakened pack. At the peak, the Italian's lead was down to 4:31 on his nearest pursuer, Pantani, and 6:3 over the group including Indurain and Virenque. Getting up was the hard part for Poli, who stands 6 feet, 4

though, and seven minutes

inches (1.93 meters) and weighs 190 pounds (86 kilos). Descending was far easier and he maintained most of his lead for the final 40 kilometers to the line.

As he neared it, he drank often from his water bottle and then squirted the back of his neck. Just before the finish he broke into a big smile, waved his visor at the fans and somehow made a sweeping bow while pedaling.

### In a Wacky Weekend In Chicago, Indians **Hold On With Split**

The Associated Press

After a wacky weekend of mysterious capers at Comiskey Park, only this much is certain: The Cleveland Indians still hold a narrow lead over the Chicago

The White Sox salvaged a split of an intriguing four-game series, beating the Indians, 5-2, Sunday to pull within two percentage points of first-place Cleveland in the American League Central Division.

The teams play four more ames next weekend in Cleveland, the last time they're scheduled to meet in the regular season. But before then, there are plenty of questions to be

• Was Albert Belle's bat

· Who broke into the umires' locker room and replaced Belle's bat with another?

· Was the bat that showed up Sunday the one that was confis-

cated Friday night? "It won't be pushed under the carpet," said the White Sox general manager, Ron Schueler. It's serious to break into a into a locked room and there made it 9-2.

was damage done." Belle's bat was taken by umpires Friday night after White Orioles 16, Angels 5: Rafael Sox manager, Gene Lamont, Palmeiro and Dwight Smith questioned whether it was each bomered and drove in corked. Later in the evening, someone climbed through an opening above the office of the Indians manager, Mike Har-grove, worked 40 feet (12 me-

ters) through a crawl space and dropped into the umpires' room. Belle's bat was taken and a the third and an RBI single in newer, shiny bat was put in its

The umpires weren't fooled, and on Sunday they had anoth-er bat in their hands, presumably Belle's original bat. No one was explaining the latest switch.
The bat will be sent to New York to be X-rayed.

Cleveland's general manager, John Hart, seemed to have little doubt about who was behind

"Obviously, it was someone internally with the Indians," he

Belle went 1-for-4 as three White Sox pitchers shut down the Indians. Jason Bere struck out seven in 5% innings, Dennis Cook gave up one hit in 21/2 innings and Roberto Hernandez closed for his 10th save.

Frank Thomas hit his 33d home run for the White Sox and

#### AL ROUNDUP

teammate Joey Cora hit his fourth bomer in the major

Yankees 14, Mariners 4: Jim eyritz homered twice and drove in five runs, Danny Tartabull hit a grand slam and visiting New York completed its first fourgame sweep of Seattle.

Wade Boggs went 4-for-4 and Bernie Williams had three hits for the Yankees, who scored 46 runs in the series.

Leyritz hit a pair of two-run shots, giving him 15 homers, and had a bases-loaded walk. Tartabuil's Inth bomer capped locked room. Someone broke a six-run seventh inning that

Reggie Jefferson and Tino Martinez bomered for Seattle.

three runs as Baltimore won in California.

Palmeiro connected for a three-run shot in the first in-ning. It was his 18th homer and third in four games. Smith hit a two-run homer in

the sixth, while Jeff Tackett drove in two runs with a triple and single.

Red Sox 4, Athletics 3: Tom Brunansky's foul-ball sacrifice fly in the ninth gave Boston its victory in Oakland.

Otis Nixon drew a leadoff walk and stole second, then Mark Acre also walked Tim Nachring and John Valentin sacrificed. After an intentional walk loaded the bases, Brunansky hit a deep foul that left fielder Rickey Henderson caught, enabling Nixon to score

Blue Jays 3, Rangers 1: Dave leys hit a grand slam in an eight-ERA in his previous three run second that gave Houston its victory in Pittsburgh. starts, shut down host Texas on four hits for seven innings. Braves 2, Martins 1: Greg striking out eight, while Domin-Maddux won his 12th game Maddux won his 12th game go Cedeno, Darnell Coles and with his league-leading seventh Pat Borders drove in runs for complete game, and rookie José

> Royals 4, Tigers 1: Greg Gagne hit a two-run double in Kansas City and David Cone beld Detroit to six hits, with nine strikeouts, for eight in-

> Brewers 5, Twins 3: Matt Mieske hit a three-homer in the first as Milwankee heat host

### Dodgers Bow to Valenzuela, Now in the Phillies' Uniform, 9-7

31 minutes, 59 seconds, an aver Fernando was back in the age per bour of 35.3 kilometers. victory column, and he wasn't a Fernando Valenzuela, con-

was Pascal Lino, a Frenchman sidered washed up after last ficit of 3:39. team for eight innings Sunday, Most of the overall leaders and the Philadelphia Phillies were far shead of the main pack withstood a remarkable rally by and Miguel Induran, who fin- the visiting Los Angeles Dodg-

ers for a 9-7 victory. Valenzucla, signed out of the majors since last Oct. 1, when Of the 189 riders who started he was pitching for the Balti-

The left-hander blanked the

PEANUTS

Dodgers on four hits for eight immings. He had retired 21 of 22 the reason behind baving only batters until Mitch Webster 27 outs in a game of baseball,"

"I guess that ball game was immings as the Rockies closed to within two games of National fease struggled and the defense broke up the shutout bid with a said the Phillies' manager, Jim Los Angeles.

"I guess that ball game was immings as the Rockies closed to 5% innings, but the Cubs' of fease struggled and the defense let him down.

League West Division, leading its victory in Pittsburgh. leadoff homer in the ninth.

"I tried to come in on the

of that pitch.

out to end the game.

VERY STRANGE\_SOMEBODY

hands with it, but it came out

Duncan and John Kruk ho-NL ROUNDUP mered for Philadelphia. over the plate," Valenzuela said Rockies 10, Cardinal's 6: Dante Bichette hit a grand slam and drove in a club-record six The homer triggered a sevenrun inning off Valenzuela and runs to take over the NL RBI three relievers. Los Angeles had two runners on base when Car-

Fregosi.

lead with 89 as Colorado hamlos Hernandez, who homered earlier in the inning, grounded fourth straight game.

mered visiting St. Louis for the Marvin Freeman held the Cardinals to five hits in seven struck out a career-high 10 in

Jim Eisenreich went 3-for-3

with two doubles and Mariano

extra-inning games this season. Chicago's Kevin Foster

Los Angeles. Colorado drew 61,972 to establish another major-league

attendance record. The four-game total of 259,113 eclipsed its own record for a four-game series of 251,521 set against St. Louis on July 22-25, 1993.

Reds 3, Cubs 2: Reggie Sanders hit a bases-loaded single in the 10th as Cincinnati beat visiting Chicago to improve 9-2 in

In games reported in some Monday editions: Giants 6, Expos 4: Rookie William VanLandingham no-

hit bost Montreal for 71/3 innings, and Matt Williams hit his 34th homer as San Francisco won its eighth straight. Van-Landingham lost his no-hit bid in the eighth when Lenny Web-ster doubled with one out. Barry Bonds went 3-for-5 and

Darryl Strawberry had two hits ry joined the club on July 7.

third consecutive game as Atlanta, playing at home, beat Bret Barberie got three hits for Florida.

Padres 10, Mets 1: Eddic Williams hit two home runs and and drove in a run for the Gi- Phil Plantier drove in three runs ants, who are 8-0 since Strawber- as San Diego, with 19 hits, won in New York.

Oliva drove in two runs for the



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# SPORTS WORLD GUE

## 'It Ran Out of Gas, but Cup USA Was a Triumph of Spirit and Sport

OS ANGELES — It came down to fatigue. The L philosophy of asking the best soccer players on earth to run again and again in the mid-day swelter of an American summer finally ground them down just as the biggest television audience over assembled, 2 billion people, tuned in to see what all the cuphoria had been about.

Well, if any of those who wonder happen to be reading this, let me tell them. World Cup USA was a triumph, a display of

human spirit, a shared experience of Hughes players and specta-

to roll back the years of the sport as if the cynical, self-wounding spite of players and the catalytic violence of fans had never happened. It was not a tournament high on the arts of the

game. That cannot he recaptured in one month after so many years' abuse. But it was a start, a marathon event for the most part played by men who sacrificed their bodies like soldiers in an effort to get the

America hosted it, Brazil won it, and Andres Escobar died for it. We must neither forget his murder in Medellin nor confuse it. Soccer has been blamed for much in Europe, but what happened in Colombia was premeditated murder. It may have had to do with drugs, or with betting, or with a

society that lives daily on the edges of cheapening human existence.

But here in the United States, soccer infiltrated for good, not evil. It turned around this country's view of the game at a time when America's own

sporting idols were falling like dominoes.

It has probably not "colonized" America. Alexi Lalas, the red head who looked like an advert for Kentucky Fried Chicken in the center of the U.S. defense, may have it right with his observation: "The

circus comes to town, the circus leaves town." Could be. Its up to America, up to Alan Rothenberg, chairman of everything to do with soccer, and his pals the sponsors to judge how much time and money to spend trying to implant a major soccer league as a professional legacy to the summer of '94.

The groundswell of American youth playing the game is there, 16.5 million and rising. The new awareness that mass audiences can come to this game and not only behave but party in a way that heightens the senses has been emphasized 3.5 mil-

That is the statistic that means most: The folks who actually paid to roast in the stadiums while 52 matches were being played.

A policeman in downtown Pasadena on Monday morning, the morning after 15,000 Brazilians had brought carnival to Colorado Boulevard all night, arguably provided the sound bite of the tournament: "It was a lot more fun than a lot of trouble."

tournament in terms of a new code of conduct, almost a zero tolerance of old foul habits, it took away by the time table.

FIFA's explanation, that the World Cup is a television event and should be played while the majority of folk are awake in other parts of the world, is acceptable up to a point. Sunday pushed the point over the edge.

Italy had come to play, or rather to deny play, in the manner the U.S. team and Sweden's had deployed against Brazil. That is, to repress the game, to try to negate superior technique with tactics designed, in this case, to take the game to penalties. Italy succeeded partly because Brazil, even Brazil,

had been run into the ground trying to compete in the mid-day madness. Also because Brazil's oew, now victorious, method is to pack the midfield with more pragmatism than flair. So when Jorginho, that magnificent, galvanic right back, tweaked a muscle early in the final, who was there to create the ings for Romário and Bebeto to score?

Coach Carlos Alberto Parreira became a hero where Telé Santana, at the World Cups of 1982 and 1986, remmed home to almost to have his will

There had been 60 arrests for drunkenness. No broken. Yet Santana attempted what in their hearts he had been laid low with severe cramps, to attempt violence, no threat to life or limb, no mention of the Brazilians truly want: victory with samba in the feet the first, captain's penalty. He kicked the ball far European word hooliganism. That, in itself, was a of the players. I firmly believe that Parreira — a triumph. So was the response of players to run.

almost unquestioningly, through too many matches played in too short a time. What FIFA gave to the experience, to have won with that added element of

style. He eschewed it. Ultimately the final was coached by two men who had oever played the game at this level. Neither, therefore could liberate great talents. Thus it came to that apology for a tiebreaker, the penalty lottery.

The first and, let us pray, the last. FIFA's new nimbleness in getting rid of lousy rules has to start with this one, with removing the enquity that fell on Franco Baresi and Roberto Baggio in the Rose

Neither would have played the game had it been anything other than the World Cup final. Baresi had had surgery on damaged right knee ligaments three weeks earlier, Baggio was given a medical dressing with ointment said to heat the hamstring he damaged four days earlier. It was wicked. Half-fit athletes pushed through

120 minutes' of "play" in temperatures approaching that figure. Wretchedly worn, potentially harmed permanently, players were pressed into the cause for their countries.

Anyway, come the futility of the scoreless match. Baresi had to scrape himself off the ground, where

The sequence went on. Nobody else missed the target, though each goalkeeper made ooe correct guess and saved shots. Then came Baggio.

Even his hraided pony tail looked tired as he walked up with the score 3-2 against him. A miss, and the talisman of Italy, the saviour in matches where Nigeria and Spain should have eliminated Italy, would fail his nation.

He failed. Another shot bound for the moon, where America had first put a man 25 years ago. But here on earth, in a sport we have played 100 years but now could not decide any better than this, Roberto Baggio missed the kick that doomed Italy

World Cup USA had turned full circle. What began 52 games ago with Diana Ross missing the goal from the penalty spot ended in Pasadena with aggio doing the same.

But against his dejection, we had in the Rose Bowl the joy of Romário. This little Brazilian, whose spirit had carried his team, was last off the pitch. He cradled the World Cup, wouldn't let it go. And as the tears of relief dropped from Romário onto his prize, the thought occurred that the gold and green of the trophy are the gold and green of Brazil.



Romário and his Golden Ball got a hug from Dunga,



Coach Carlos Alberto Parreira was thrown aloft by his players, who dedicated their victory to Ayrton Senna, the three-time Grand Prix driving champion from Brazil who died after a crash May 1. "He gave so much happiness to the Brazilian people, and this was our only chance to repay some of that happiness," said goalkeeper Claudio Taffarel.

### Romário Easily Wins Golden Ball as Top Player of '94

PASADENA, California - Brazil's Romário won the Golden Ball as the

the World Cup and was an easy winner of the vote by 1,000 media members and by Balgaria's Hristo Stoitchkov, the FIFA officials.

tournament's top player.

Romário got 2,400 points in the voting. Italy's Roberto Baggio, the Silver

Bronze Ball winner, at 450.



Franco Baresi got some consolation from Roberto Baggio.

### CUP: As the Final Act of '94, It Had Bathos, Pathos and Courage — but No Goals

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who loved Pelé felt that Parreira was corroding the memories of their 1970 title (which was the last and very best one; before this one, of course) - with an expert defense that resulted in only 20 saves in seven games for goalkeeper Clau-dio Taffarel. And only 11 goals for Brazil, as well. They felt Perreira wanted it both ways, and of course he did. And he got it, too, even if booing erupted after 90 and 120 minutes at the specter of a final going to penalties for the first time.

"I've never played a more dramatic game in my life," Parreira said. "Brazil and the national press criticized me, but I feel good about what happened. I don't hold a grudge. I'm like Frank Sinatra: I did it my way. I did it my way."

The Brazilians seemed to have the kind of team which could have beaten Italy, 4-1, just as Pele's team had in the 1970 final. They played to that rhythm until the final moment in total confidence. The goalline was a barrier and the Brazilian will was rarely stronger than the will of their defensive opponents. "Every team changed their game against us, Italy was the proof of that," said Bebeto afterward, but in itself that's no sign of greatness.

By playing up to Brazil, Italy proved it could survive the worst conditions. As for the penalties, that round of the competition probably said more about the betrayal of the game than it did about the winners and the losers - though it's for the losers, if that's what they were, to live with it.

The Italians had seen everything. They saro through the defense with a long, lovewere trying to become the first champion since Argentina in 1978 to overcome a game to Ireland and, in the second game, they lost their goalkeeper, Gianluca Pag-liuca, who would almost bring them a championship on Sunday — they would lose him for two matches to a red card, and, to compound things, Baggio was pulled out of that game. They won it at the expense of Baggio's spirit, which Baggio recovered on the verge of Italy's climination in the second round. Suddenly, he was scoring five goals in a span of fewer than 2½ hours of play through the semifinal, and he might have been able to blot out all the other Italian miseries if not for the hamstring strain that left him hopping, straightlegged, when he should have been bursting through.

"I cannot answer that question," his coach, Arrigo Sacchi, would say after Baggio had played 120 minutes Sunday. The question was whether he would have used aggio if he had it to do all over again.

No doubt the Italians were recalling that their semifinal had originally been scheduled for last Tuesday, allowing them an extra day to travel from New York to Los Angeles - and, it would have turned out, an extra day for Baggio to heal. The semifi-nal was rescheduled for Wednesday because American television was busy with the baseball All-Star game on Tuesday.

As a result, Taffarel was forced to make just one fine save over the two hours, after Franco Baresi had threaded Daniele Mas-

ly ball in the 18th minute. Baggio had a shot in the 114th minute on a wall pass first-round defeat. They'd lost that first from Massaro: Chasing it to his right, it was shaping up like two goals he had scored in earlier rounds. This time he swiveled the ball weakly into the covered middle of the goalmouth, landed on his bum and grabbed his right toe to stretch the hamstring back into shape. His lameness was the worst-timed event of the tournament, and the cause of the final's destruc-

So the pressure fell upon the magnifi-cent Baresi, who had given away the goal to Ireland and then injured a knee a few days later. Two years ago, it is pertinent to recall, he had announced his international retirement before being recalled by Sacchi. Now Baresi was 34 years old, slower than ever, with two of his normal linemates — Mauro Tassotti and Alessandro Costacurta -sidelined by suspension. His physical uncertainty alone, just 22 days after the surgery, should have done him in. But

he really was magnificent. Over and over he would steal the ball from some of the sport's wittiest masters; or he would intercept those diagonal passes which have made fools of everyone else and then run the ball upfield himself, to make sure it crossed the street safely. He was very conscientions. In short time the others rallied around him - and not Baggio — though Brazil still found routes in against Paglinca:

A header by Romário; two free kicks from Branco; a shot by Romário ont of nowhere, forcing a dive; a header from Bebeto; a shot by Romario picked out of the penalty-box garbage, Branco's corner header over the bar - and then this scare: a booming, slicing, but catchable shot from Mazinho that spun out of Pagliuca's hands and off of the right post in the 76th minute. It might have bounced in just as casily as it rebounded back to Pagliuca, and what kind of an ending would that have been for this World Cup?

Better than the penalties? Certainly not any worse.

Brazil tried to move into a higher gear in the final minotes of overtime because the better team always wants to avoid penalties. Then the time arrived and everybody expected the worst. The two goalkeepers walked down to the area, Pagliuca's arm around Taffarel's shoulder, with each warning the other that it would all come down to destiny and that the unlucky one shouldn't blame himself. You know it's a ridiculous system to decide a world championship when opponents are trying to take pressure off of each other.

The first to go was Baresi, and he lofted his shot into the 27th row. Near the end of extra time, he had been lifted onto a stretcher with leg cramps so bad that he screamed his way through them to return to the field. He was the

most courageous man in uniform and oow he was crumbling to his knees, crying in full view of 2 billion people until Taffarel, who used to play for Parma in Italy, came over to pat his back. "I know how much pressure there is on the kicker in these

situations," Taffarel said. "I wanted to tell the star of the tournament - anyone Baresi just how great a player he was."

"Penalty kieks are a little bit like playing the lottery," said Baresi, the only Italian player to consent to an official interview after the match. "You have to give your best but you doo't know what might happen. We gave everything we could give and our conscience is very clean at this time."

Decided the Brazilian defender Aldair: Baresi was oot really a penalty-taker, and Baggio just made a mistake."

Pagliuca consoled his teammate by punching away a middling attempt hy Márcio Santos. Demetrio Albertini began the second round by converting for Italy. and then Romário - skipping, stopping, starting on his way in — responded by outsmarting Pagliuca. Alberigo Evani and Branco each converted and they were equal at 2-2 as Danicle Massaro, the AC Milan striker, was placing the ball oo the penalty mark to begin the fourth round.

He spent so long placing it that it might have been a golf ball. Then he missed the putt - or rather, Taffarel dived right to smother it. Then Dunga converted for Brazil and oow it was up to Baggio to keep Italy alive.

A lot of great scorers have missed penalties over the years. Michel Platini and Zico each missed when France beat Brazil in the 19g6 quarterfinal, and Marco Van Basten misfired against eventual European champion Denmark two years ago. Nooetheless. a 31-handicapper shot over the bar was the last thing anyone expected from Baggio, perhaps, except Baggio himself.

"Normally, I side-foot them, but I had so little energy left that I just tried to blast it," he would say much later.

He pulled the elastic off of his sore thigh and stumbled toward the midfield circle, where Baresi sat bawling. Perhaps it had been the sight of his captain failing so awfully; maybe just his thigh was to blame. In any case it wasn't meant to come down to this for Baggio, not after he had failed so badly at the beginning of the tournament and then worked his way back up — only to be struck down again hy this one abstract and artificial test.

"It was an experience for us, and if you told me today that I could repeat the experience, I would be more than happy to do it," said Sacchi, who after all of the stops and starts had done Italy proud. "We should oot he looking for alibis. We have to accept our position with a very clear conscience and know that we did all we could."

He was absolutely right, and that is why you could not take your eyes off of Baggio He roamed the field as if making a sort of unconscious statement: he stopped and thought and walked some more. As he was walking off of the field, he had to stop one last time. The Brazilians were passing in a herd before him, the trophy held out before them like a hood ornament. He waited until they passed and his escort felt the oeed to put an arm around Roberto Baggio as he left the stadium.

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### Everybody's Prince

WASHINGTON - When the news came through that Prince Charles had admitted committing adultery, 1 immediately called London to speak to Chauncy Featherbottom, a friend of mine who lives only 20 blocks from Buckingham Palace.

"I'm terribly sorry," I said.
"What hloody business

is it of yours?" he said in a huff. "Every American is terribly con-

cerned. He is our prince as well as yours." "How can

you say that?" "What hap-Buchwald pens in the royal family affects the American dollar much more than the British pound. We have a tremendous interest in knowing if Charles played around or not. Don't forget he will carry the

scepter for all of us one day." 1 had never known Chauncy to sound so agitated. He said, "Dammit, the British are stay-ing away from the O. J. Simpson case, why can't you stay away from our royal family?"

"Look, Chauncy, we're not judging Prince Charles, but Americans need to know all the details if they are going to continue to buy cashmere sweaters from you. Our information is that Prince Charles went on the telly and told his subjects that he and a married woman had a tête-à-tête when his marriage was falling apart. We accept his word for it. We do, however, question his judgment in announcing it to the whole

Chauncy became defensive, Whatever he did he was al-

#### Woodstock Adds a Day

NEW YORK - The 25th anniversary Woodstock concert in Saugerties, New York, has added a third day, and will now be held Aug. 12, 13 and 14.

ways thinking of his mother."
I asked, "Do you think that this is good or bad for the

Church of England?" "It's not the best thing that could have happened, but the established church has lived with a lot worse - don't forget Henry VIII."

"Where does the sympathy lie in London at the moment? "It seems to be with Princess Diana."

"Because of what Charles admitted to?"

"No, because she looks so smashing in her clothes."

Then he said, "I still don't understand why Charles's dalliances hold any interest for the United States."

"You're the only royal family we've got," I told him. "What-ever the Windsors do affects our lives. When the Prince of Wales, Britain's greatest role model, admits to straying from his bed at Kensington Palace, our male citizens start thinking that they can do likewise. If a member of the royal family misbehaves, the U.S. can no longer have any respect for Canada."

Chauncy was beginning to sound desperate. "Just hecause he said on television that he did it doesn't mean that he actually did. He might have made the revelation to get sympathy from people who are constantly watching him fall off his polo

"There could be something to that," I admitted

"Also, everyone in the U.S. saw him blow a tire on an air-

"What do you intend to do about it?" 1 asked. There is nothing to be done

except to relax and think of England." "Which brings me to the last question, Chauncy. After Charles's admission, do you think that there will always be

an England? "There will be as soon as we can raise a defense fund for

### Prado's Own Lamentable Tableau of Neglect

By Alan Riding
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MADRID — As chairman of the Prado's board, José Antonio Fernández Ordoñez should be cheerfully preparing to celebrate the museum's 175th anniversary this fall. Instead, he appears to be almost in mourning, repeating like a mantra that the Prado's state of health is "lamentable."

His gloom is understandable. The museum has had four directors in just over three years; its hudget has been frozen since 1986; it desperately needs extra space for its collection, and it is short of qualified staff. Even its roof

"It's a lamentable tale," Fernández Ordoficz said. "It's good enough for a novel."

So how did the flagship of Spanish culture fall into such a state of neglect? How could a museum that compares itself to the Louvre in Paris and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City be putting out buckets to collect water dripping beside Velaz-quez's priceless "Las Meninas"? How could a museum with almost 20,000 art objects have only three permanent curators?

A favorite target for blame is the Socialist government, which has been in office since 1982, because each culture minister has the last word on how the Prado is managed.

"It would be far better if the Prado were above politics," said Nuria de Miguel, the executive director of the Friends of the Prado Foundation. "Unfortunately, political meddling is

But politics may also be the salvation of the Prado. The ouster in May of the museum's last director, Francisco Calvo Serraller, supposedly for allowing a magazine to photograph designer chairs inside the Prado, set off a furious debate about the museum's future. The conservative opposition party rushed to its defense. And now. an embarrassed government is promising action.

Last month, the museum spelled out its needs, which range from new hanging space and temporary exhibi-tion halls to a parking lot, a restaurant and a cloakroom. A cloakroom? At present, space is so tight that a guard is assigned to watch over bags and knapsacks left in a pile by the en-trance. No price tag was mentioned,



Spain's Prado Museum desperately needs space, money and more staff.

but it will be up to the government to

find the money.
"We began debating modernization
of the Prado 20 years ago, at the same time as other great museums," said José Maria Luzon Nogue, the muse-um's new director. The Louvre, the National Gallery in London, the Smithsonian in Washington all expanded, but we were postponed. Now there is a cultural and political consensus in society that we have to act."

It will not be easy. "The Prado needs more money, more space, more curators; it needs its roof fixed; it needs more of everything," said Fernández Ordófiez, who took over as head of the museum's board last November. "But what it perhaps most needs is not to be politicized. It should have greater autonomy to run its own affairs.

Certainly politics was behind the museum's greatest disappointments of late. It was promised the nearby Palace of Villahermosa for its expansion. but instead the building became the new Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum. Then, despite protest, it lost Picasso's masterpiece "Guernica" to the Reina Sofia Art Center, the country's new modern art museum. And as a result, annual visits to the Prado fell to 1.5

million from 2 million. The two decisions seemed to sug-

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gest that the Prado, with its unique collection of works by Velazquez, Goya, Rubens and Titian, was no longer a priority. Then, early in 1991, Alfonso Perez Sánchez, the museum's director since 1983, was abruptly dismissed after signing a public protest against Spain's involvement in the Gulf War.

The worst blow was that the muse um was offered no alternative space. Then, in February last year, Felipe Garin, Pérez Sánchez's successor, revealed plans to build an extension at the Prado's Gova entrance. But art critics were horrified that the neoclassical 18th-century building would be altered, and that design was soon abandoned.

Lack of maintenance of the Prado's roof then forced Garin's resignation in October last year after Spanish newspapers published photographs of visitors avoiding buckets in the "Las Meninas" gallery. Seven months later, it was Calvo

Serraller's turn to be ousted, although he did not go quietly, taking a swipe at official apathy." Now the whole headache has been

inherited by Luzon, 52, an archaeologist who was head of the National Archaeology Museum and directormeral of fine arts in the Culture

The museum's need for space is self-evident. Of its collection of 7,679 paintings, only 1,049 hang in the Prado and another 310 in its annex in the Casón del Buen Retiro.

Expansion would therefore provide much-needed hanging space, but it would also create room for the ancillary services now expected of museums with large numbers of visitors:
not only a closkroom, but also an
improved book shop and gift shop, a
lecture hall, a more comfortable library and more office space.

Since 1986, the museum has re-ceived just \$17.5 million annually from the government, albeit raising another \$6.1 million on its own. Three years ago, it was bequeathed \$40 million worth of Madrid property to be sold to improve its collection, but it still receives no money from the gov-

ernment for acquisitions.
Fernández Ordónez said the budget had remained frozen for eight years because previous directors were scholars dedicated to art and uninterested in management. But with prior experience in running a museum, Luzon seems to have his feet on the ground. And his first priority is to fix the Prado's roof.

"What if it rains again in October?" he asked. "No director can survive

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Dylon Gets Top Billing From Havel in Prague

Vaciay Havel, the Czech president, went backstage to chat with Bob Dylan before the American musician performed for a crowd of 15,000 in Prague. No details of what was described as a private chat were available. Dylan then took his European tour to Krakow, Poland, but his concert there on Sunday was cut short due to a heavy storm.

Good Golly Miss Molly, Little Richard (born Richard Pennimen) has some news. The (remaining) Beatles are getting back together and want him to be the opening act. "That would be a history-making thing," he says. Back in 1962, the Beatles opened the last shows of Little Richard's British tour. 

Aaron Spelling may be right. He says there's a modeling

craze out there and it's marketable. So he has launched a TV series "Models Inc." The producer says in the July 22 issue of Entertainment Weekly: "I think audiences want to see beautiful people." Anna Nicole Smith, a 26-year-old model, knows how to seize the moment: She quietly married J. Howard Marshall 2d, 89, an oil tycoon, last month in Houston. . . Elle MacPherson is taking her talents to TV. The Australian model will be host for a weekly cable TV series. "Hot Summer Nights," from

. 🗖 Denmark's Queen Margethe II, 54, underwent a hysterectomy on Monday for cancer of the uterus, officials said.

Bermida, ESPN says.

Jimmy Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, are spending the week on the Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation in South Dakota with 1,200 other volunteers to build 30 homes for people without shelter.

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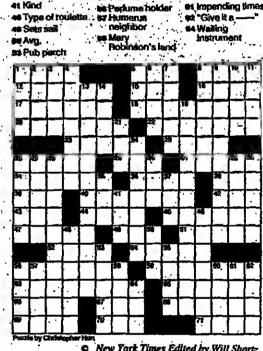
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